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SEE-SAW AT PEACE PARLEY.

PREMIER IN HIDING.

BADLY MAULED BY MOB.

NEWFOUNDLAND UPROAR.

WAR "VETS." AID POLICE.

St. John's, Apr. 6. (Newfoundland) Bands of ex-service men patrolling the streets in co-operation with the full strength of the police kept order in the city to-day, though tension still runs high.

The grave riots of last night are said to have been precipitated by the mishandling of the mounted police, who were ordered to charge, using them batons indiscriminately.

The crowd grew more and more incensed and were completely out of hand until darkness came to provide a breathing-space.

CLERGY TO RESCUE.

The escape of Sir Richard Squires from the angry mob was sensational. He was seen and attacked when trying to escape from the House of Assembly, and was knocked down and badly mauled.

Four clergymen appeared guided him to a nearby house and prevented the angry crowd from entering his place of refuge.

The mob remained outside howling for three hours before beginning to realise that the Prime

DEATH OF MR. MANUK.

The whole community will hear with the deepest regret of the death of Mr. Malcolm Manuk, Secretary of the Dairy Farm, Ice and Cold Storage Co., Ltd., which occurred this morning at the Canadian Hospital, where he had been a patient, suffering from meningitis, for some days.

The sad news reached us just as we were going to press.

MINISTER HAD MADE HIS ESCAPE BY THE REAR EXIT.

Meanwhile other members of the Government had disappeared, or they too would have experienced trouble.

The mob was in an ugly mood, but war veterans rallied to support the police and prevented an invasion of the liquor depot.

The Government has not resigned. The report to this effect was due to the fact that the Finance Minister, who tendered his own resignation some time back, asked the Governor to demand Squires' resignation in order to induce the crowds to disperse.

It is expected that a National Government will eventually be formed to clear up the situation. It will probably be headed by Mr. Allardice, the Leader of the Opposition.

LADY SQUIRES HURT.

Sir Richard Squires has not yet resigned, however. He is still in hiding.

Lady Squires was injured in the face by missiles thrown by the mob outside Parliament Building.—*Reuter.*

NANKING-CANTON AMITY.

NEW APPOINTMENT PROPOSED.

Nanking, Apr. 7. The Cantonese leader, General Chan Chai-tong, is to have a permanent representative at Nanking, and General Yang Teh-chao will probably be appointed to the post.—*Reuter.*

REVIVAL OF HOPE.

CHINA READY TO COMPROMISE?

London, Apr. 6. It was authoritatively stated in London to-day that the Sino-Japanese negotiations are progressing favourably and that an agreement is imminent.

Reports from Shanghai pay warm tributes to the efforts of the foreign observers to obtain a pacific settlement, especially to Sir Miles Lampson, the British Minister, whose efforts have been unremitting.

It is believed that although a date has been mentioned for the withdrawal of the Japanese troops, it will probably not be included in the settlement.—*Reuter.*

ANGLO-JAPANESE FRIENDSHIP.

AMBASSADOR MEETS BANKERS.

London, Apr. 6. Emphasising that the Japanese Government have no intention of doing anything likely to prove harmful to Anglo-Japanese friendship, Mr. Matsudaira, the Japanese Ambassador, speaking at a lunch given to forty influential financiers closely associated with the Far East, denounced the Chinese allegations regarding the course of events and various incidents in Shanghai as "misrepresentation of the facts."

He stated that Japan's only anxiety now was that the Chinese negotiators in Shanghai were resorting to their usual practice of procrastination.

Manchurian Interests.

Mr. Matsudaira further stated that Japanese interests in Shanghai were purely economic, but her standpoint in Manchuria was different. Japanese political and strategic interests were involved in Manchuria in addition to her economic interests.—*Reuter.*

CHINA PROTESTS TO LEAGUE.

THE BOMBING OF ANTING.

Geneva, Apr. 6. The Chinese delegation in the League City is displaying renewed activity, three Notes having been despatched by Dr. W. W. Yen to Sir Eric Drummond to-day.

One of the Notes embodies a telegram from various public bodies in Chahar Province protesting against the Japanese proceedings in the Three Eastern Provinces, establishing an "illegal government" thus preparing the way for future annexation.

The protest requests the League of Nations to do justice to China, to restore China's sovereign rights and to uphold the sanctity of the League Covenant and the international instruments of peace.

ANTING BOMBING.

The two other Notes deal with the bombing of Anting by Japanese planes and declare that Japanese troops have destroyed public property and seized merchandise at Hwangtu, where the Japanese troops are stated to have been increased by four thousand recently.

The Notes also refer to the Mayor of Greater Shanghai's report on April 4 that the Japanese were appointing Chinese to important posts in the so-called Political Bureau of Chapei and organising police.—*Reuter.*

For returning from banishment before the expiration of 10 years, a man named Chan Lam was sentenced to nine months' hard labour by Mr. Fraser at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning. Inspector Elston said defendant was banished in 1929 and was found in the New Asia Hotel by the Police.



Two of the latest photographs of Charles Lindbergh, Jr., who has now been in kidnappers' hands for more than five weeks.

PHAR LAP'S DEATH.

SUSPICIONS OF FOUL PLAY DISPELLED.

New York, Apr. 6. Any suspicion of foul play in connexion with the tragic death of the wonder-horse, Phar Lap, has been removed.

A message from Menlo Park, California, states that the famous gelding's owner, Mr. J. J. Davis, is now satisfied that Phar Lap died of colic.

The autopsy revealed that death was due to nibbling foxtail alfalfa grass or sudden barley. Mr. Davis and his partner, Mr. Tolford, are stunned and heart-broken. Mr. Davis is arranging to have the hide and skeleton sent to Australia for mounting.—*Reuter.*

THE STIFFKEY TRIAL.

RECTOR SHORT OF FUNDS.

(Reuter's Special Service).

London, Apr. 6. Consternation was caused at Church House, Westminster, to-day, when counsel for the Rector of Stiffkey, Norfolk, the Rev. Davidson, announced that the small fund available for the defence before the Consistory Court had been exhausted and that therefore the solicitors would have to withdraw.

The only alternative will be that the Rector will have to defend himself, which he is willing to do. Later, the prosecution offered for the time being to place £250 at the disposal of the defence and to consider a further advance if necessary when that is expended.

U.S.A. AND WORLD COURT.

ADHERENCE THOUGHT POSSIBLE.

Washington, Apr. 6. Mr. H. L. Stimson, the Secretary of State, appeared before the Foreign Relations Committee of the Senate to-day and elaborated his view that the Ellhu Root formula for the adherence of the United States to the International Court of Justice at The Hague would fully protect the rights of the United States.

Mr. Borah, the Chairman of the Committee, said the prospect that a vote would be taken during the present session on the accession of the United States to the Court was reasonably good.—*Reuter's American Service.*

THE LONG LINDBERGH QUEST.

CONTACT WITH KIDNAPPERS.

SUCCESS HELD IN SIGHT.

Norfolk, Apr. 6. Mr. Curtis, the well-known boat-builder, has announced that he has been in contact with the kidnappers of the Lindbergh baby, who was stolen from his cot on March 1.

He has been informed, he says, that the baby is quite well. Mr. Curtis, who has been assisting Colonel Lindbergh in the search for the child, has been absent from Norfolk since on a mysterious mission.

He returned only this morning and said he saw Lindbergh personally, but was not free to say where.—*Reuter.*

4-POWER PARLEY.

Cleavage Over Bulgaria.

BUT START NOT UNPROMISING.

London, Apr. 6. As a result of the first day's deliberations, the Danubian Conference has agreed in principle that help must be given urgently to the distressed countries along the Danube, but has been careful to avoid any attempt to tie the Conference to a particular scheme.

It is learned that the proceedings have already revealed a cleavage between Britain and France on the one hand and Italy and Germany on the other, over the question of whether Bulgaria should be included in any Danubian Federation.

The Conference is likewise in two camps at the moment as to whether the Danubian countries should confer separately.

Germany's Point.

France and Britain favour laying the proposals of the Four-Power Conference before a meeting of the Danubian Government, while Italy and Germany desire a full conference of nine countries on the ground that a scheme reached by the Danubian countries alone might prove oppressive to Austria and Hungary.

The relief proceedings mooted at the Conference embrace financial aid by France and Britain and tariff concessions by Italy and Germany, which are the principal markets for the distressed countries.

On the whole, it is felt that a very promising exploration of the whole problem before Four-Power Conference was undertaken at its first meeting and the delegates are hopeful that valuable results (Continued on Page 7.)

DOLLAR AGAIN DROPS.

WEAKER SILVER PRICES.

In sympathy with a decline in silver prices, the Hongkong dollar dropped 1/8th this morning to 1s. 23/4d. The local market is still on the easy side, with little business passing.

Silver dropped a farthing in London, both spot and forward. China and India were small sellers, and there was poor support. After the official fixing, the market ruled quietly steady, chiefly due to absence of offerings.

In New York, silver declined a quarter, but the market is steady. The cross-rate has improved to 38.80%.

JAPAN'S MANCHURIA HOLD



Miss Betty Gow, the English nurse of the Lindbergh baby, who discovered his disappearance.

TWO LOCAL STEAMERS IN MISHAPS.

Haiching Hits A Rock.

B. & S. GROUNDING.

Reports were current in the Colony this morning that two well-known local steamers had badly come to grief in the fog which has hung over the China Coast during the past few days. The vessels said to be concerned were the Douglas Company's s.s. Haiching and the China Navigation Company's s.s. Kweichow.

It transpires that both these steamers met with mishaps, the former striking a rock near Foochow, and the Kweichow going aground at Cape Collinson.

Neither ship was, however, badly damaged, though the Haiching was slightly holed in her bow, and a certain amount of cargo damaged by water. In neither case were there any personal injuries or loss of life.

The Haiching experienced her accident when approaching Foochow, on Tuesday, striking a rock in a dense fog at the White Dogs. She was holed and cargo was affected by the rush of water, but she was able to proceed to Foochow under her own steam and arrived there without further trouble.

Slight Damage. The Kweichow was coming from Tientsin to Hongkong when she grounded at 1 p.m. yesterday at Cape Collinson. She was only slightly damaged and was refloated six hours later, arriving in the harbour this morning. Little worse for the experience, the vessel was carrying general cargo, which, so far as is known, was not damaged.

POWERFUL RADIO STATION.

CHINA'S LATEST SCHEME.

Nanking, Apr. 7. The Minister of Communications announces that the Government is making preparations for the establishment of a new and powerful radio station capable of communicating directly with any station in the world.—*Reuter.*

THAT SILVER CONFERENCE.

BRITAIN MAY BE INVITED.

Washington, Apr. 6. The Colnag Sub-Committee of the House of Representatives has decided to ask the advice of the State Treasury Department on the question of inviting Britain to participate in the proposed International Silver Conference.—*Reuter's American Service.*

ULTIMATUM TO CHILE.

RAILWAY CO'S THREAT.

TARIFF WAR.

Valparaiso, Apr. 6. The tariff war between Chile and the Argentine has developed into an economic tragedy.

The British-controlled Argentine Trans-Andine Railway has issued an ultimatum to the Chilean Government informing them that unless commerce between the two countries is restored, the railway will be closed down on April 20.

The receipt of this ultimatum was officially announced by the Chilean Government to-day. If the railway carries out its threat, it will mean cutting the only railway communication between the two countries.

Freight Losses. The attitude of the Trans-Andine Railway is due to the fact that trade has been nullified since Chile placed a prohibitive tax upon Argentine cattle, with the result that the railway has lost over £1,000,000 in freights.—*Reuter.*

FILM STUNT IN REAL LIFE.

BUSTER KEATON'S LOVE-MAKING.

(Reuter's Special Service).

New York, Apr. 6. Buster Keaton's method of love-making in the "Sidewalks of New York," is humorously recalled by a story from Beverly Hills, California, indicating that the famous comedian effected a reconciliation with his wife, formerly Natalie Talmadge, by means of gramophone records.

Keaton first sent her a record entitled "You've Got Me Between the Devil and the Deep Blue Sea."

Nothing happened. He then tried "All of You" without result.

He then sent "Can't We Talk It Over?" and this brought his wife home.

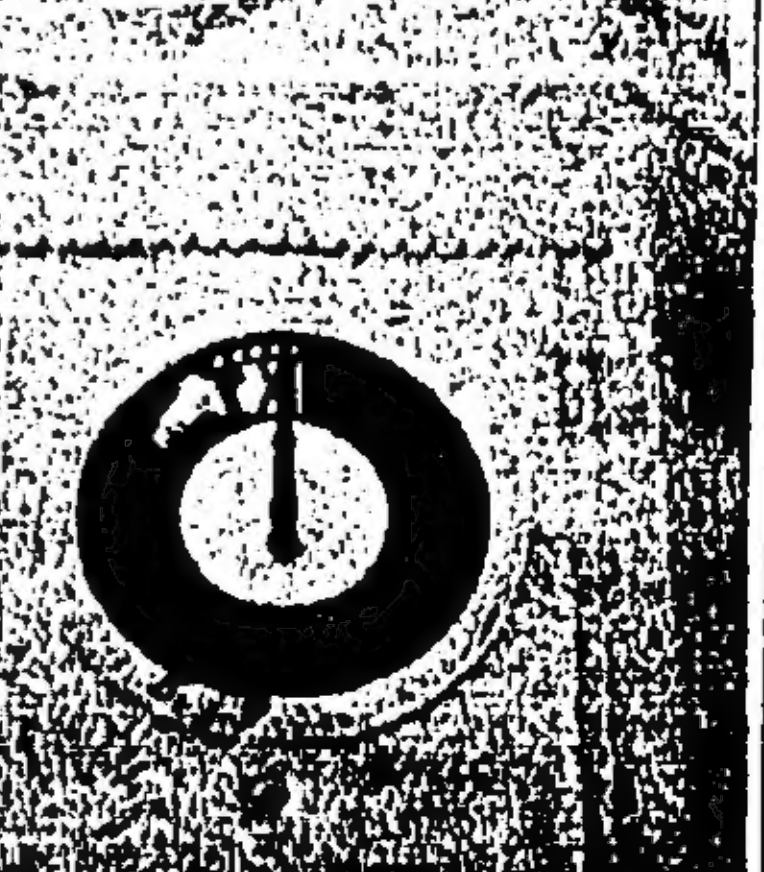
KREUGER & TOLL JUGGLERY.

DEPRESSION ON N.Y. STOCK EXCHANGE.

New York, Apr. 6. The revelations by Messrs. Price, Waterhouse and Company regarding the irregularities in the accounts of Kreuger and Toll, resulted in heavy trading to-day in the issues of that company.

Kreuger and Toll shares fell to one and a half and International Match stock to two.

Stocks generally were one to three points lower. The day's turnover was two million shares, the largest for several weeks.—*Reuter.*



At least one City worker was well on time this morning, as the above photo, taken at Gloucester Building, shows.

CHALLENGE DANGER.

MEANS TO KEEP FRUIT OF SACRIFICES.

AN IMPORTANT INTERVIEW.

Paris, Apr. 6. A series of vexatious co-incidences is Mr. Yoshizawa's explanation of the causes of Japan's action on Chinese soil, in the context of a special interview which gave to the *Petit Parisien's* correspondent in Tokyo.

Mr. Yoshizawa also made a clear statement of Japan's attitude towards the new Manchurian State, declaring at the outset, according to the correspondent, that the story Japan's deciding to quit the League of Nations was a fabrication.

Recognition Conditions.

Mr. Yoshizawa said there was question yet of recognising the Manchurian State. Every step would depend upon circumstances and proofs of wisdom and the steadfastness shown by the new State.

Mr. Yoshizawa went on to state that Manchuria was an entirely new independent State, formed on the principle of self-determination. As long as it respected existing treaties, Japan was ready to support and help it in every way.

"What We Have —"

He pointed out that cash advances to the Manchukuo Government would not be made by Japanese Government but by Mitsui and Mitsubishi Banks.

Quite evidently, Japan's relation with Manchuria were destined to become closer still. Japan abandoned neither her enormous interests nor her nationals in Manchuria. She meant to the fruits of her sacrifices of blood, energy and money.

The feeling of the Japanese people on this point was unanimous, and should not be challenged.

The Shanghai incident was unfortunate. They had not contemplated making conquests of Chinese soil, but they were determined to act as they did by a series of vexatious coincidences.—*Reuter.*

SOVIET LOOKING TO FAR EAST.

Improving Railway Efficiency.

Riga, Apr. 6. Immediate measures are being taken by the Soviet to increase efficiency of the Soviet Railway Siberia and the Far East.

The establishment of special Administration Headquarters Irkutsk to exploit, and, if necessary, increase the capacity of railway will be the first move.

M. Kishkin, the Deputy Chief of Transport, has been appointed Chief Administrator.—*Reuter.*

TIT FOR TAT.

NANKING REBUFFS MANCHUKUO.

Nanking, Apr. 6. A Foreign Office spokesman states that the Foreign Office is replying to a Note from the Manchurian Government, dated April 4, to the effect that the Note had not yet been received.

He added that the Foreign Office was replying to the Note.

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By W. E. McKenney.

Secretary, American Bridge
League.

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thrill in contract bridge is the bid-
ding and making a grand slam.
Slam bidding fascinates the play-
er who is first introduced to con-
tract and only too often to his
surprise. Games and rubbers are
repeatedly sacrificed on the altar of
slam bidding.

Many systems have been de-
vised for slam bidding. The ac-
knowing system was in vogue for
quite some time but lately it has
been losing some of its popularity.
Our readers, however, should be-
come thoroughly familiar with
the knowing system so that when it is
used against them, they will not
become confused.

While the system is generally
termed "knowing," it could be
better termed "showing no losers"
as under this system void suits
are not as well as aces. The ac-
knowing system is a convention
which provides that as soon as
both partners have agreed on the
same declaration, all subsequent
tricks in other suits are made only
to show that you can win the first
round of that suit—either with
the ace or by ruffing.

The fact that you and your part-
ner have agreed on the same suit
does not necessarily mean that
you must start in and show aces
and avoid suits. It is only when
you believe there is a good chance
for a slam that the knowing is
used. Ace-showing should not be
used until either you or your part-
ner has made a demand bid. If
your partner makes an original
forcing suit bid and you support
his declaration, a shift now to an-
other suit denotes that the first
trick in that suit can be taken and
that the hand contains values
which point to slam possibilities.

When showing aces, the lowest
ranking ace must be shown first:
e. g., South bids two spades, West
passes and you, sitting in the
North position, raise partner to
three spades. If your partner were
now to bid four diamonds, he
would say that the first diamond
trick can be won by him—either
with the ace or he was void of di-
amonds—and that the hand had the
appearance of a possible slam.
He would also inform you imme-
diately that he did not have con-
trol of the club suit because if he
held no clubs or the ace of clubs,
his shift would have been to four
diamonds, therefore unless you con-
trol the clubs, you immediately
know that there can be no slam
made unless, of course, partner
happens to hold a singleton club
or the king and one club are open.

Showing of void suits is also
done when the opponents enter the
contract. Supposing partner
bid two spades, West bid three di-
amonds, and you bid four diamonds.
You inform partner of three im-
portant factors regarding your hand:

1. You tell him that you have
no losers in the opponents' suit.
2. You have normal support for
his suit.
3. There are strong slam pos-
sibilities to your hand, and you
request him to start and show
aces.

With two-suit hands, it is nec-
essary in making the shift demand
one more than necessary to in-
form partner that you are not
showing aces; e. g., South opens
with two hearts which is a forcing
bid, you, sitting in the North po-
sition, respond with three hearts.
Ordinarily now, if partner shifts
to another suit and the ace-show-

AMATEUR DRAMATICS.

ENTERTAINING EVENING BY
ST. ANDREW'S CLUB.

In past years the St. Andrew's
Club has set a high standard in its
periodical amateur dramatic
efforts, and that standard has not
been lowered as a result of this
year's productions, which were
played at the Church Hall last
night. Selecting three short plays
of which comedy was the keynote
and which proved well within their
capabilities, the Club scored an
impressive success and kept the
large crowd well entertained.

"Wurzel-Flummery," the main
attraction, was a typical A. A.
Milne two-act comedy rippling
with witty dialogue and brimful
of clever and humorous situations.
The action began right from the
start when Sidney Edgar and N. V.
Halward, playing two friendly but
rival politicians, were burdened
with £50,000 and the title name,
and joggled along merrily to a sat-
isfactory curtain.

S. A. Sweet, a popular performer
on concert platforms and amateur
dramatic stages, added greatly to
the fun in the part of Denis Clif-
ton, and Winifred Robinson and
Maud White, as the politician's
daughters were suitably cast. Re-
ginald Woolley made the most of
a small part.

The other two offerings were
short sketches by Ronald Jenna on
more farcical lines, which kept the
audience in continuous merriment.
Rupert Baldwin, Bessie Hirst, Pat
White and Irene Gittins were the
fun-makers of "The Old Lady
Shows Her Muddles" and Dick
Wong, John Baldwin and Reginald
Woolley played "Not Lost" to good
effect.

Variety was added to the evening
by several musical items and a
selection of gramophone records
during the interval. Miss F. Wal-
ker pleased with a bracket of popu-
lar songs, and Ronnie True, as
usual, kept the audience entertain-
ed with his inimitable pianoforte.

MOSCOW TRIAL ENDS.

TWO ACCUSED SENTENCED
TO DEATH.

Moscow, Apr. 6.
Judas Stern and Vasiliev, on
trial here, have been condemned
to death for murdering M. Twar-
dowski of the German Embassy.

The case opened recently, and
was remarkable for a sister giv-
ing evidence against her brother.
"My brother was always hostile
to the Soviet," declared Krasina
Stern, in giving evidence against
Judas Stern, on trial for his life.
Stern pleaded guilty before the
Supreme Court to a "terroristic
act" in attempting to kill M.
Twardowski, the Counsellor of the
German Embassy.

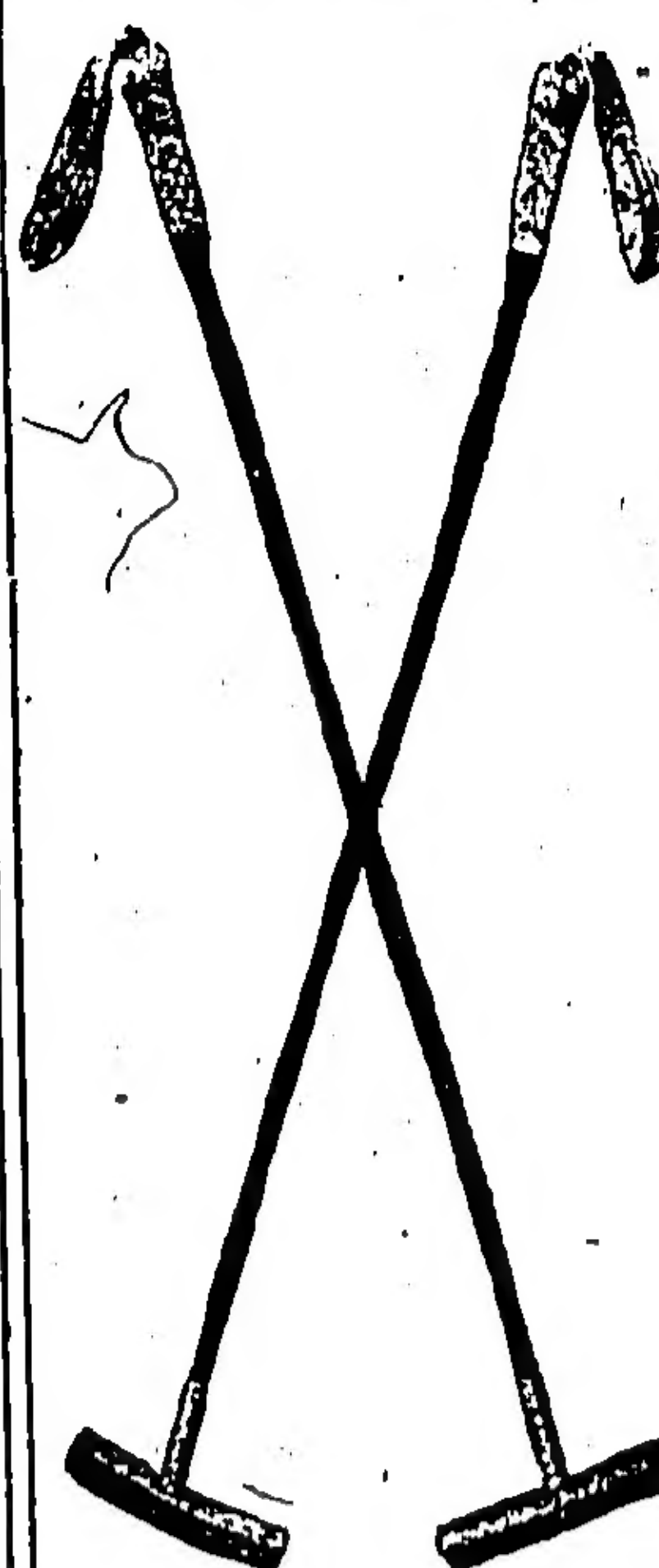
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South now bids four spades. If
he were to bid three spades, this
would be ace-showing, but as he
has bid one more than necessary,
he informs partner that he has a
two-suit hand and is desirous of
showing the second suit before
proceeding with ace-showing. This
bidding, of course, is a little dan-
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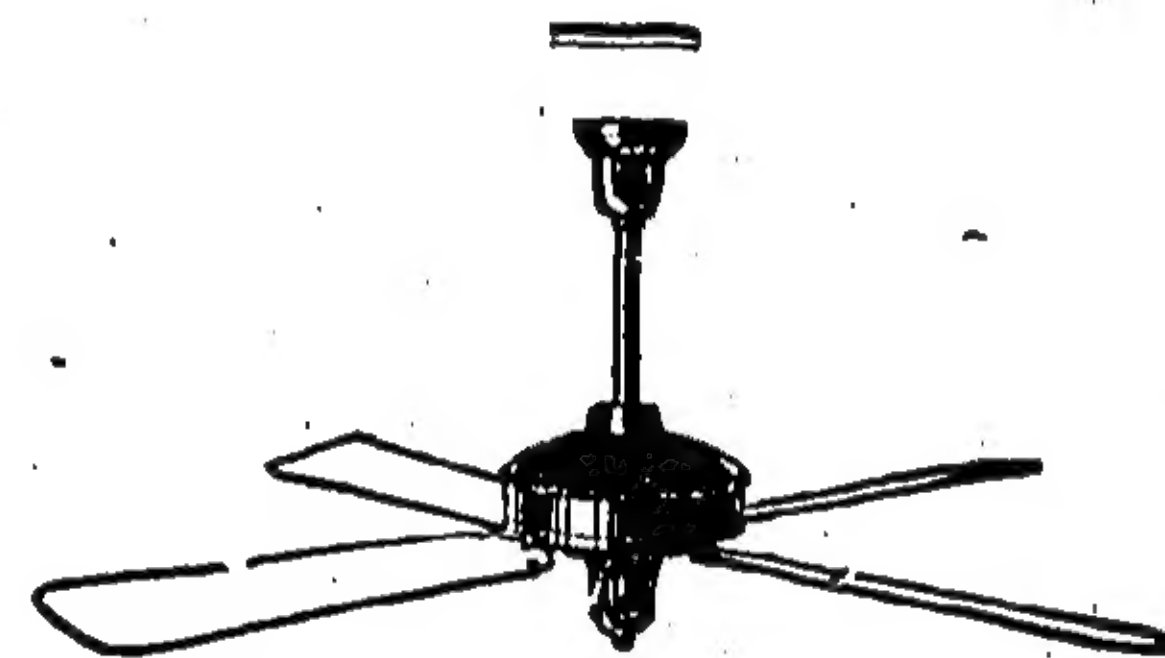
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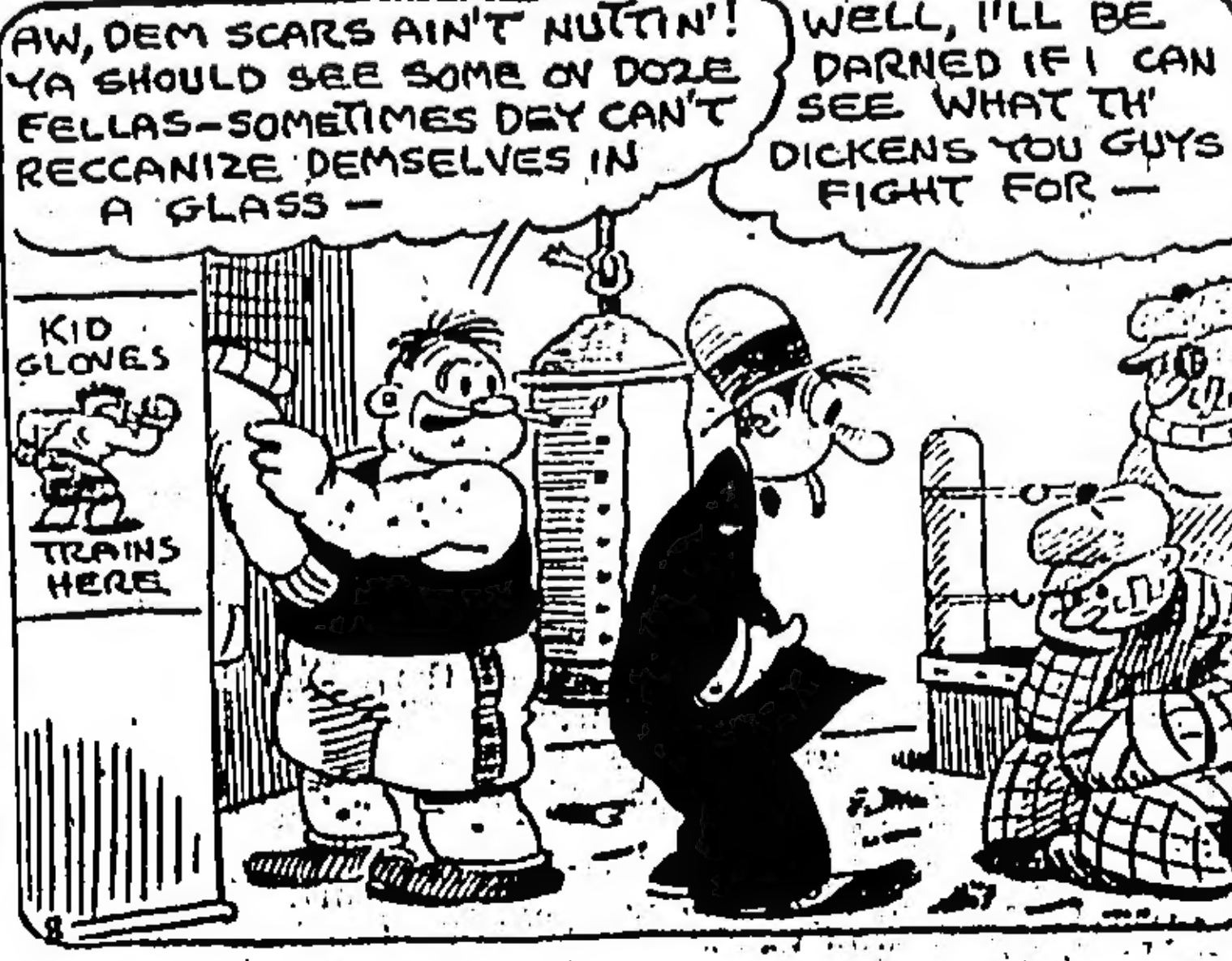
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Rifles at the ready for snipers who have resumed their activity our photo shows Japanese marines scouting the streets for lurking Chinese sharpshooters.

the dime-a-dance girl

BY JOHN CLOUTON

CHAPTER I

A Milk wagon rattling along Pine street brought Ellen Rossiter wide-awake. The Rossiter apartment was five floors above the street, but Ellen thought irritably even in the moment of waking that the clanking below was sufficient to wake the dead.

It was going to be another scorching day. The girl's face, rosy from sleep, was faintly damp and her thick tawny hair was live and beautiful with heat curls. She was conscious only of discomfort as she thrust it back and rolled over hastily to look at the clock.

Only 20 minutes to seven. Twenty blessed minutes more, Ellen stretched luxuriously, assured herself that the alarm was set for seven, and snuggled down again. As she was closing her eyes she noticed that the adjoining bed was empty. Myra had already risen and slipped quietly from the room. Ellen had sleepily decided that her sister intended to bathe before leaving for the library when she heard from the kitchen Myra's voice raised high in expostulation. Something was wrong again. Ellen did not know quite what, but that particular note in Myra's voice always meant trouble.

And trouble in the Rossiter household meant inevitably a difference of opinion between Myra Rossiter and Molly Rossiter. Ellen sighed, tossed back the sheet and in one leap was out of bed. She grabbed a green cotton crepe negligee and streaked for the bathroom. The door was locked. Michael, aged 12, was inside. The one male of the family, the adored and spoiled little brother, he had special prerogatives and was not timid in enforcing them.

"I'm studying," he called out. "In the bathroom!"

He added plaintively, "I'll get out if you want me to. Only it's so cool in here and I'm always being interrupted no matter where."

"All right, darling. Stay where you are for 10 minutes. But after that I'll have to rout you."

Ellen Rossiter was three days past 20 on that morning in late July—three days past 20 and already beginning to be afraid that the wild and careless dreams of her teens would not be fulfilled in her twenties. It was money, of course. The Rossiters had more than their share of good looks, from Molly Rossiter who had once been Molly O'Reilly, the prettiest girl in the whole of County Cork, to baby Mike, but they had nothing else.

The three children—Myra, the eldest, and Ellen and Mike—had from their father their thick copper hair and wide, thick-lashed blue eyes, and from their mother their creamy skin. The peculiar, arrest-

ing way they walked and stood, the nervous movements of their hands, the confident, arrogant ease with which they faced the world—all those were Rossiter ways, as Molly, who was a Rossiter by marriage, said so often. The unconscious air of distinction that was shared by all of them was from their father, too. It was Charles Michael Rossiter who had given them an unmistakable look of face.

There was no denying that the young Rossiters were unlike the young Blacks downstairs, or the young Kildans in the basement, or the Shanenbergers who sprawled through the two floors above. They were different and suspect, Ellen had often reflected bitterly, as people always are who have a past and no future.

But Molly Rossiter, an incurable optimist, had never once admitted the secret fears of her two daughters. Even when she had her crying spells she always insisted hysterically that her children were better looking than any of the English Rossiters, better qualified to move in that mysterious world whose doors had been shut to them abruptly when Charles Rossiter, unable to forget green English fields and misty country English mornings even in the love of his wife and children, had closed his eyes and died of a common cold.

There once had been money. Myra at 26 could remember surroundings quite different from the down-at-heel Brooklyn apartment, could, with a pang in her heart, remember the glorious years before her father's death, the soft spoken servants, the gleam of candle-light on old silver (sold long since), and rugs so deep that all sound of footsteps were lost in them.

Charles Rossiter had met Molly O'Reilly on a trip to Ireland. He had married her before his father and mother and many brothers and sisters could rush in to point out the impossibility of marriage between the fourth son of Lord Harmand and a tenant farmer's daughter.

They had never forgiven him that. They were, as anyone except Molly Rossiter would admit, scrupulously fair. Charles' share of the Harmand estate had been settled upon him at once. The condition was that he leave England. His father and mother had refused to meet his bride. And Charles Rossiter, stiff-necked with pride, had been glad enough then to leave England. He had come to America and had never gone back. He had often longed for England but no one of his brothers or sisters had ever learned that. No one of them had shown the slightest interest in what he might have been thinking during those long years of exile. No

one of them except his youngest sister, Myra, for whom a first daughter was named, had shown in the years following his death any recognition of the fact that he had left a family. His sister Myra, perhaps a bit back by the pressure of her brothers and sisters, had never seen any member of his small family but she did from time to time send boxes of clothing, discarded by her own daughters.

On that August morning Charles Rossiter had been dead 12 years. His death took place three days before his only son was born. He could never have foreseen that his two beautiful daughters would be forced to work, the one at an underpaid job in a public library, the other as an underpaid salesgirl in a great department store. He had left a sufficient sum to bring up his children in comfort, to educate them, and to provide for the lifetime of his young wife.

But Molly Rossiter, dazed with grief, had seen that money slip from her irresponsible hands within two years.

Ellen could remember only as of something dreamed those days when money was not a daily problem, a daily topic of conversation. She had gone to work at Barclay's department store when she was 14. She was still there.

As she walked to the kitchen she wondered a little hopelessly if she would always be there.

When she entered the small, heated room where the blue-checked linoleum had long since retreated into the corners, her mother turned from the stove. Molly's pretty, fading face was flushed and set in lines of determination. Ellen sighed again. She was afraid that her mother had hit upon another disastrous scheme which would make them all rich.

Myra was seated at a chipped porcelain table, her chin resting upon her elbows, the morning newspaper spread out before her. Her head, with its smooth braids of hair, lighter and less warily coloured than Ellen's, was bent over the society columns. But her mouth was set and mutinous and it was plain she did not really see the printed words. Her eyes were full of angry tears.

"Myra and I have about decided—" Molly Rossiter began firmly. "Myra looked up quickly at that. 'We haven't decided anything, mother,' she interrupted in her long-suffering voice. 'You only suggested—'"

Both of them looked toward Ellen. Ellen crossed to the stove, relieved her mother of the eggs and began to beat with furious energy so that the yellow foam leaped up the blue sides of the bowl. Molly had been ready to pour them into the skillet.

Ellen was the one natural cook of the household. Molly's cooking was always overdone or underdone and invariably too highly seasoned. Myra, perhaps in compensation for her mother's lavish hand, never seasoned enough. Whatever



With the Soviet government reported to be massing troops near the Manchurian border, airmen like those pictured here may see service in the Far East. The Soviet war office, however, has denied recent Japanese dispatches estimating the number of soldiers in Vladivostok as high as 100,000.

she sent to the table came with the slightly indefinite taste common to second-rate hotels.

In the strained silence Ellen added to the omelette a few crannies of pepper, a great deal of salt and a dash of paprika for the looks of the thing. She walked to the window to take parsley, chopped the night before, from a boxlike contrivance suspended outside and serving as a refrigerator.

"Now what is it?" she asked the combatants as she sprayed in the crisp green sprigs of parsley and poured the golden fluid into the hot skillet.

Molly and Myra Rossiter spoke simultaneously.

"Mother spent half the rent money yesterday buying things for Mike that he doesn't need," Myra said. "And now she had an idea for you. You're to make up the money working evenings."

"The things were on sale," Molly explained eagerly. "Two pair of pants for what I usually have to pay for just one. I saved so much on them that I thought I could splurge a little. So I bought him some books he's been wanting for ever so long and a new cap and some underwear." She added defensively, "You wouldn't want Mike to go shabby, would you?"

She did not suggest that the suit which Mike had not really needed would deprive her of a business dress which she did need.

"That's just it," Molly crowed, seizing her chance. "I have a marvellous idea for you. There's an ad in the morning paper from a dance place named Dreamland. It's a pretty name, isn't it? They want girls for dancing instructors. Look—here it is. I marked it for you."

Ellen looked.

(To be Continued.)



Renate Muller, the brilliant star of "Sunshine Susie" pictured in Berlin recently.

GLORIA SWANSON.

GIVES BIRTH TO DAUGHTER IN LONDON.

London, Apr. 6. The film star Gloria Swanson, who is thirty-three years of age, has given birth to a daughter at Mayfair, London. She has a ten-year-old daughter already, and an adopted son. She married an Irishman, a Mr. Farmer, last year, he being her fourth husband.—Reuter.



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GENERAL MEETING OF IMPORTERS.

The Hong Kong General Chamber of Commerce invites all Import Merchants in the Colony including non-members of the Chamber—to attend a meeting to be held in the offices of the Chamber, Chartered Bank Building, on: **THURSDAY, 14th APRIL, 1932, at 4.15 p.m.** to consider matters of general importance to trade arising out of certain demands which have been made by the Chinese Piece Goods Guild and other Guilds.

By Order,

M. F. KEY,
Secretary.

Hong Kong, 6th April, 1932.

WM. POWELL LIMITED.

Notice is hereby given that the Thirty-first Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders will be held in the offices of Messrs. Percy Smith, Seth & Fleming, 6, Des Voeux Road Central, Hong Kong, on Thursday, the 21st April, 1932, at 11.30 a.m. for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Board of Directors and a Statement of Accounts for the year ended 29th February, 1932, and electing Directors and Auditors.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from 12th April to 21st April, both days inclusive.

By order of the Board,

W. L. ALEXANDER,
Secretary.

Hong Kong, 5th April, 1932.

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The first bell will be rung at 1.15 p.m.

MEMBERS' ENCLOSURE.

Members are notified that they and their Ladies must wear their Badges prominently displayed.

No One without a Badge will be admitted to the Members' Enclosure.

Badges admitting Non-Members to the Members' Enclosure and Club Rooms at \$5.00 per day for Gentlemen and \$3.00 for Ladies (Both including Tax) are obtainable through the SECRETARY upon introduction by a Member, such Member to be responsible for Payment of All Chits, &c.

Badges admitting to Members' Enclosure will NOT be on sale at the Race Course.

No Pretence will Children be permitted in either Enclosure during the Meeting.

Tickets are obtainable at the Club House provided they are ordered from the No. 1 Box in advance. Telephone 21920.

PUBLIC ENCLOSURE.

The Price of Admission to the Public Enclosure is \$2.00 per day, including Tax, for all Persons, including Ladies, and is payable at the Gate.

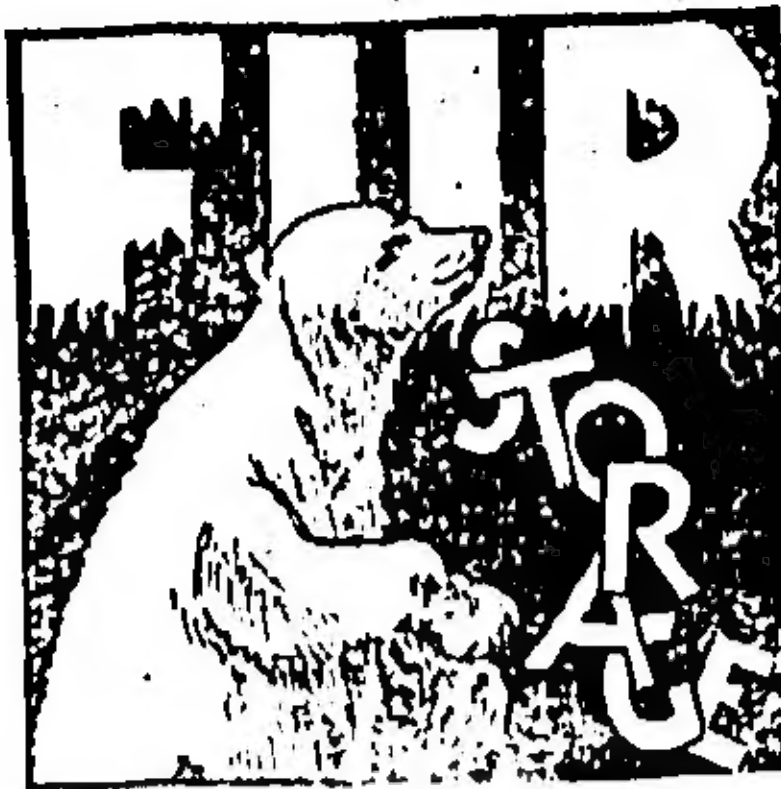
Soldiers and Sailors in Uniform are admitted Half Price.

Bookmakers, Tie Men, &c., will not be permitted to operate within the Precincts of the Race Meeting.

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C. B. BROWN,
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Hong Kong, 4th April, 1932.



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PARTICULARS & CONDITIONS of the Sale by Public Auction to be held on Monday, the 11th day of April, 1932, at 3 p.m., at the Office of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor of one Lot of Crown Land at Prince Edward Road, Kowloon City, in the Colony of Hong Kong, for a term of 75 years, commencing from 1st July, 1898 with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the King, for one further term of 24 years less the last three days thereof.

PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

No. of Sale	Registry No.	Locality.	Boundary Measurements	Containing in square feet	Annual Rental.	Upset Price
1	New Kowloon Inland Lot No. 1814	Prince Edward Road, Kowloon City.	N. 100 ft. E. 100 ft. S. 100 ft. W. 100 ft.	40,000	£100	\$13,950

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PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

No. of Sale	Registry No.	Locality.	Boundary Measurements	Containing in square feet	Annual Rental.	Upset Price
2	New Kowloon Inland Lot No. 1820	West of New Kowloon Inland Lot Nos. 931 & 931.	N. 100 ft. E. 100 ft. S. 100 ft. W. 100 ft.	40,000	£100	\$14,000

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PIECE GOODS DISPUTE.

CHINESE GUILD SUGGESTS NEW CONTRACT.

The Chinese Piece Goods Guild this week circulated to importers proposals for radical changes in the form of contract which has been in general use since 1922. From enquiries made it is understood that importers regard the Guild's proposals as unworkable and therefore pending a settlement of the question, the Chinese dealers are retarding business, despite the fact that it is getting late in the season to place orders for woollen goods. The delay is not, however, as serious as it might be, because, owing to an unreasonable autumn and other causes, there is a large carry over of woollen goods, enough, it is said, to supply all next season's requirements.

In an interview with a representative of the S. C. M. Post a leading merchant stated that the importers found the Chinese Guild's new contract impracticable. The proposal to sell for "arrival" instead of for "shipment" is regarded as unreasonable, because importers would never be in a position to guarantee the exact date of arrival of steamers, which might be delayed owing to unforeseen circumstances.

Percentage Reduction. The new contract proposes that sellers shall be entitled to only six per cent. instead of nine per cent. for interest, godown, insurance and other charges, from the date of clearance until delivery.

"Insufficient to cover actual charges for interest, godown charges, insurance, etc., as it is a common practice for dealers to leave goods in warehouse long after due date for clearance."

The dealers, in their new contract, claim relief from their obligations in the event of strike, riot, boycott, war, civil commotion or other hostilities in China provided they can produce a certificate issued by the Chinese

Chamber of Commerce or other representative body of merchants in or nearest to the district affected.

Merchants feel that business would be impossible under such a clause, which in the last ten or twenty years would have been almost in constant operation. In practice, trade goes on in China despite civil commotion.

Arbitration Question.

The new contract stipulates further that in the event of disputes not settled amicably an arbitrator shall be appointed by each party. In the event of the award being in their favour the buyers shall have the option of either accepting the goods on the terms of the finding of the arbitrator, or rejecting the same, notwithstanding that an allowance is recommended in the award, provided nevertheless that such rejection shall not prejudice the buyers' right against the sellers for breach of contract.

This clause is strongly criticised by merchants as amounting (for the Guild) to the position, "Honde I win, you lose." It is proposed that, whatever the arbitrator may decide, the ultimate decision shall be with the dealer! And after that, he can still sue the merchant!

The present practice is for the General Chamber of Commerce to appoint an expert arbitrator or arbitrators, and this is important because most disputes turn upon questions involving an expert knowledge of textiles and ability to analyse cloth. Feeling it between finger and thumb would never do.

Furthermore, it is contrary to modern commercial practice to have arbitrators appointed by the parties; they tend in that case to regard their arbitrator as their advocate, not their judge.

The General Chamber of Commerce is calling a meeting of all Importers, and this is important because recent actions of the Guild, culminating in the contract now proposed, which merchants are surprised to have presented to them "for adoption" without apparently the slightest appreciation of the fact that a contract is a joint concern of the contracting parties and not a matter for dictation by one of them.

POST OFFICE NOTICE

It is notified for the information of holders of Private Boxes at the General Post Office that on and after 1st February no taxed correspondence will be placed in the Boxes. A notification will be substituted and Box-holders are requested to call or send for the correspondence at the Box-holders' Lobby and there pay the amount of the Tax against the delivery of the letters or packets.

Letters and postcards for Europe and South America are forwarded "Via Siberia" if so superscribed.

INWARD MAILS.

From	Per	Due
Japan	Ginjo Maru	April 7.
Shanghai & Swatow	Sunning	April 7.
Japan and Shanghai	Taiyo Maru	April 8.
U.S.A., Canada, Japan and Shanghai (Seattle, 19th March)	Pres. Cleveland	April 8.
Japan and Shanghai	Corfu	April 8.
Shanghai and Swatow	Shantung	April 9.
Manila	Pres. Hoover	April 11.
Japan and Shanghai	General Metzinger	April 12.
(London 17th March).		
Australia and Manila	Change	April 12.
Shanghai	Gange	April 13.
Canada, U. S. A., Japan and Shanghai (Vancouver B. C., 26th March)	Empress of Russia	April 14.
U. S. A., Honolulu, Japan & Shanghai (San Francisco 18th March).	Pres. Hayes	April 16.

OUTWARD MAILS.

For	Per	Date and Time
Port Bayard	Wing Lee	Thurs., Apr. 7, 2.30 p.m.
Swatow	Hydrangea	Thurs., Apr. 7, 3 p.m.
Kentucky	Thurs.	Apr. 7, 4.30 p.m.
Manila	Shunchih	Thurs., Apr. 7, 4.30 p.m.
Saigon	Alster	Thurs., Apr. 7, 4.30 p.m.
Parcels for Germany via Hamburg	Takada	Thurs., Apr. 7, 5 p.m.
Amoy		
Shanghai, Japan, Honolulu, Canada, U. S. A., Central and South America and *Europe via Vancouver B.C. and *Europe via Siberia	Empress of Canada	Fri., Apr. 8.
	Parcels	Apr. 7, 5 p.m.
	Reg.	Apr. 8, 0.15 a.m.
	Letters	Apr. 8, 10 a.m.
	(Due Vancouver B. C., 26th April)	
Shanghai	Chastine Maerak	Fri., Apr. 8, 12.30 p.m.

Manila and Parcels for Germany via	
Hamburg	VogtlandFri., Apr. 8, 12.30
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	HaiyangFri., Apr. 8, 1
Manila	TacomaFri., Apr. 8, 3.30
Holhow, Pakhoi and Halphong	King YuanFri., Apr. 8.3.30

Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, East and South Africa, Aden, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles	Corfu	Sat., Apr. 9.
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Parcels	8th, 4.30 p.m.
Registration	9th, 9 a.m.
Letters	9th, 10 a.m.

G. P. O.	
Parcels	8th, 5 p.m.
Registration	9th, 0.45 a.m.
Letters	9th, 10.30 a.m.

(Due Marseilles, 6th May).	
Amoy	Anhui
Saigon	Hinsang
Swatow	Tijpanas
Swatow, Amoy and Formosa	Canton Maru
Saigon and *Europe via Marseilles	General Metzinger

K.P.O.	
Reg.	Apr. 12, 10 a.m.
Letters	Apr. 12, 1 p.m.
G. P. O.	
Reg.	Apr. 12, 1.15 p.m.
Letters	Apr. 12, 2 p.m.

(Due Marseilles, 14th May).	
Swatow, Amoy & Foochow	
Shanghai, Japan, Honolulu, *Canada, U.S.A., Central and South America and *Europe via San Francisco and Siberia	Pres. Hoover

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Letters	Apr. 12, 8.30 p.m.
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RETRENCHMENT. SWEEPING PROPOSALS OUTLINED. GOVERNMENT'S REPLY.

The long-awaited report of the Hongkong Retrenchment Commission appointed in July of 1930 has now been released by the Government for publication. Dealing with the whole field of Government expenditure, the report offers some trenchant criticism and makes some sweeping proposals for economy.

Signed by Mr. M. J. Breen (Chairman), the Hon. Mr. J. J. Paterson, Mr. J. Scott Harston and Mr. W. N. T. Tai, the report recommends savings of \$515,378, of which the Government has accepted \$281,098. These figures, however, it is pointed out, are merely a rough approximation.

The commission held 99 meetings and examined 53 witnesses, the majority of whom were members of the Government service. A number of private persons also gave evidence and helped the commission with their expert knowledge. The public were invited to bring forward their views but the result was disappointing.

A summary of the main points of the report is given below, together with some extracts from the Government's commentary on the report.

The report refers to the unworkability of the Public Works Department and remarks that reorganization is the first step to retrenchment.

Some P.W.D. witnesses are censured for having been "merely reticent" and others for having been "frankly obstructive," their "secretiveness" having wasted much time.

As a start the Commission recommends severing from the P.W.D. the two Waterworks offices, Maintenance and Construction.

One reason why the water question has been so mismanaged in the past, says the report, has been because the head of the Water Department has been only one of 12 sub-departmental heads.

Competing with eleven other sub-departmental heads for the time and attention of the Director of Public Works, his views have failed to filter through to the Chief Executive.

The proposal to set up a new department is defended by a reference to the cost of bringing water to the Colony and storing it during the drought of 1929.

Settled Programme Wanted.

The Commission feels strongly that a settled water programme should be prepared and definitely adhered to, so that there shall be no recurrence of the untoward happenings of that year.

With regard to the Waterworks Department, the Commission does not recommend any reduction in the staff. They say Hongkong is five years behindhand instead of being five years ahead, the minimum requirement elsewhere.

The report recommends that water in Hongkong should be sold to the consumer as a business proposition, sufficient being charged to cover cost of production.

There should be no water rate—except for water required for public purposes—no free allowance, and the rider main system will have to be abandoned.

Speaking of all departments of the P.W.D. the Commission suggests that the financial year should be altered from January 1—December 31 to April—March 31.

The chief reason advanced for this change is that maintenance contracts would proceed to the end of the dry season instead of stopping in the middle. A big saving would result.

The Tender System.

The report recommends that the system of direct labour and the execution of small works by the P.W.D. should be extended with certain safeguards.

The Commission suggests some changes in the manner of tendering and gives a reminder that contract penalties are public money and should not be remitted without the Governor's authority.

The report endorses the system of bonus payment for work completed in good time.

The report also refers to the duplication of motor repair shops for Government vehicles, and recommends abolishing the post of mechanical engineer.

The Commission is in favour of the whole of the Electrical Office being taken out of the Public Works Department and placed under the Post Office to remove a double allegiance.

They make no recommendations regarding the staff of the Electrical Office in view of the negotiations proceeding between the Government and the Imperial Wireless and Cables Co. for the transfer of the greater part of the Colony's wireless service.

The Government should consider disposing of its telephone service to the Hongkong Telephone Co., and possibly contracting out the maintenance of Government lifts.

Harbour Works.

The views of the Commission on the future administration of the harbour have already been put before the Government but they are not reproduced in the report.

The Commission stressed the necessity for proceeding with a survey of the harbour without delay under qualified men engaged from outside the service for that purpose.

Referring to the Port Development sub-department, which has in hand the vehicular ferry piers, the report urges the engaging of temporary staff or in future contracting out to a firm of British contractors.

One engineer and two overseers will be sufficient for the work remaining in hand at the end of the year, and the posts of executive engineer, two engineers and three overseers should be abolished.

The Crown Land and Surveys Department, it is recommended, should be formed into one unit under the leadership of a properly qualified surveyor.

Reference is made to the growth in number of Chinese surveyors from eight in 1926 to 35 in the present year. There has been no reduction in the number of European surveyors, with resultant over-staffing. The number should be reduced from nine to six.

Complaints of delays, having been made as regards applications for land to the Crown Lands Office, the Commission recommends that areas for development be mapped out in zones in advance.

Abuse of System.

The report speaks of an "interminable delay" in obtaining figures from the Accounts and Stores Department and adds that when they were produced they were of "little or no use."

Paraphrasing the Commission's belief that the water and Railways Departments are the only two departments which keep their accounts on a proper basis. The need for cost accounting is imperative.

Regarding the accounts of the Public Works Department, the Allotment Voucher system appears to have been abused and steps should be taken to remedy this.

"An executive is responsible and paid as such," adds the report, "and if he cannot be entrusted with responsibility in the spending of public money his services should be dispensed with. To fetter him as is now done only makes for delay."

Referring to the proposal for a central store with a branch at Kowloon for all Government departments, except medical, it is not considered that such a scheme would result in any saving.

Turning to the directorate of the P.W.D., the Commissioners recommend that the two posts of Assistant Directors of Public Works be abolished and be replaced by one Deputy Director of Public Works.

They recommend that the Technical Secretary be retained but that a more junior officer fill the post.

Senior Clerical Staff.

With reference to the Senior Clerical and Accounting Staffs, attention is drawn to the filing system which at present is considered "far too cumbersome and detrimental to efficiency."

A reduction of the headquarters staff of the P.W.D. is recommended on three grounds—(1) the diminished amount of work following reorganization; (2) the entire severance of the water works branch; and (3) the removal of faulty organization at the central office, responsible for much of the present congestion.

A broad outline is given of the duties of the Director and his staff on which reorganization must take place. Decentralization of responsibility is recommended; at present not enough is given to Executive Engineers, some of whom when they appeared before the Commission showed a reluctance to accept responsibility.

"It cannot be too strongly emphasized," adds the report in this connection, "that responsibility is a necessary adjunct to the office of Executive Engineer."

Harbour Department.

The staff of the Harbour Department, particularly as regards the Europeans, has grown considerably within the last five years, and whilst the Commissioners fully recognize the desirability of efficiency, they also realize that there is a point where efficiency becomes uneconomical, and in their opinion this point has been passed. There is, moreover, the danger that too rigorous regulation may discourage shipping from using the port.

The Commission is not satisfied that the posts of Deputy and Assistant Harbour Master are necessary, and recommend amalgamation.

The report recommends the transference to the Police Court of all non-technical cases from the Marine Court.

The Commissioners consider the Harbour Master was wrong in his estimate of the staff requirements of the Government Marine Surveyors' Department; and that as a result of his wishes having been met, the department is now overstaffed.

The Commissioners were struck by the inadequate scale of fees charged for ship surveys of various kinds and consider that the fees charged should bear some relation to the cost of running the department.

The Official Receiver.

Referring to the Official Receiver, the report recommends that the post be allowed to lapse when the present holder retires in three years time, the duties being performed by the Registrar.

After speaking of the large number of bankruptcies in 1927, the report says should there be another abnormal increase it would be more economical to engage on a temporary basis a solicitor either locally or from home.

Medical Department.

After careful consideration the Commissioners feel unable to recommend any reduction in the Medical Department, but feel that reorganization schemes involving extra expenditure should be deferred until more prosperous times.

They note in passing, however, considering the density of the population, probably higher than in any other city in the world, it would seem that, if anything, too little public health work is done.

The substitution of Chinese for European nursing sisters should be pushed on as rapidly as suitable local recruits are obtainable.

Great co-operation is urged between the various medico-public health authorities, and the point is stressed that it is wasteful to have two separate authorities within Government for health work.

The Commissioners are of the opinion that the fees at present charged in Government hospitals for medical attendance and operations are too low. They understand that revision is under consideration.

The Commission's views on the desirability of building a new Government Civil Hospital have been submitted but are not reproduced in the report.

Sanitary Department.

The Commissioners do not consider that the Sanitary Department is over-staffed, but favour

the replacement of European inspectors by Asiatics and contracting out the street cleansing.

The Observatory.

The Commissioners observe a tendency on the part of the Royal Observatory staff to devote a part of their time to taking magnetic and other observations which are of no benefit either to Hongkong or to local shipping. In their opinion the Observatory should confine its activities to work for mariners.

The Post Office.

Referring to the Postal Department, the report says that when a new Post Office is built in Kowloon, central distribution of letters should be instituted, as has been on the Hongkong side. This system would be economical in postmen.

Chinese Affairs.

Dealing with the Secretariat for Chinese Affairs, the Commissioners suggest that a system of voluntary censorship accompanied by a bond or cash deposit, might be substituted for the present form of censorship control, in the case of the large and more responsible Chinese newspapers.

They also recommend that the payment of compensation for "fung shui" should be discontinued.

The Police.

The labours of the Commissioners as regards the Police Department were considerably lightened by the helpful attitude of the Inspector General of Police, who came before them with a comprehensive scheme of retraining which promised a saving of about two lakhs.

The main feature of the Inspector General's scheme is the replacement of thirty British police by an equal number of Russians, accounting for a saving of nearly a lakh in salaries, to which must be added the large saving in passages, pensions, etc.

The police to be replaced are those performing the duties of section sergeants; the least responsible work of the European contingent, and performed by the most junior officers.

To employ on it highly paid Europeans is extravagant, but neither Indians nor Chinese would, according to the I.G.P., be satisfactory. On the other hand, Russians, being domiciled in China, are cheap, and experience with them, as anti-piracy guards, has shown that they would be eminently suitable.

Only men with a knowledge of English would be employed. The higher posts of Inspector, Sub-Inspector and Crown sergeant in the European contingent would be reserved for British officers.

The Russian police would be recruited on a temporary basis. If therefore it were desired at a later date to revert to an all-British European contingent, there would be no difficulty in doing so.

The Commissioners, with the exception of the Chairman, advocate the adoption of the proposal, the Hon. Mr. Paterson adding that he had experience of Russians in Shanghai and found them most satisfactory.

The Chairman dissented from the proposal and in lieu thereof recommended that the reduction of thirty posts could and should be effected by a reorganization of the duties of section sergeants, who should be mounted on motor cycles, thus enabling each officer to cover a greater number of sections than he could at present on foot.

The Prisons.

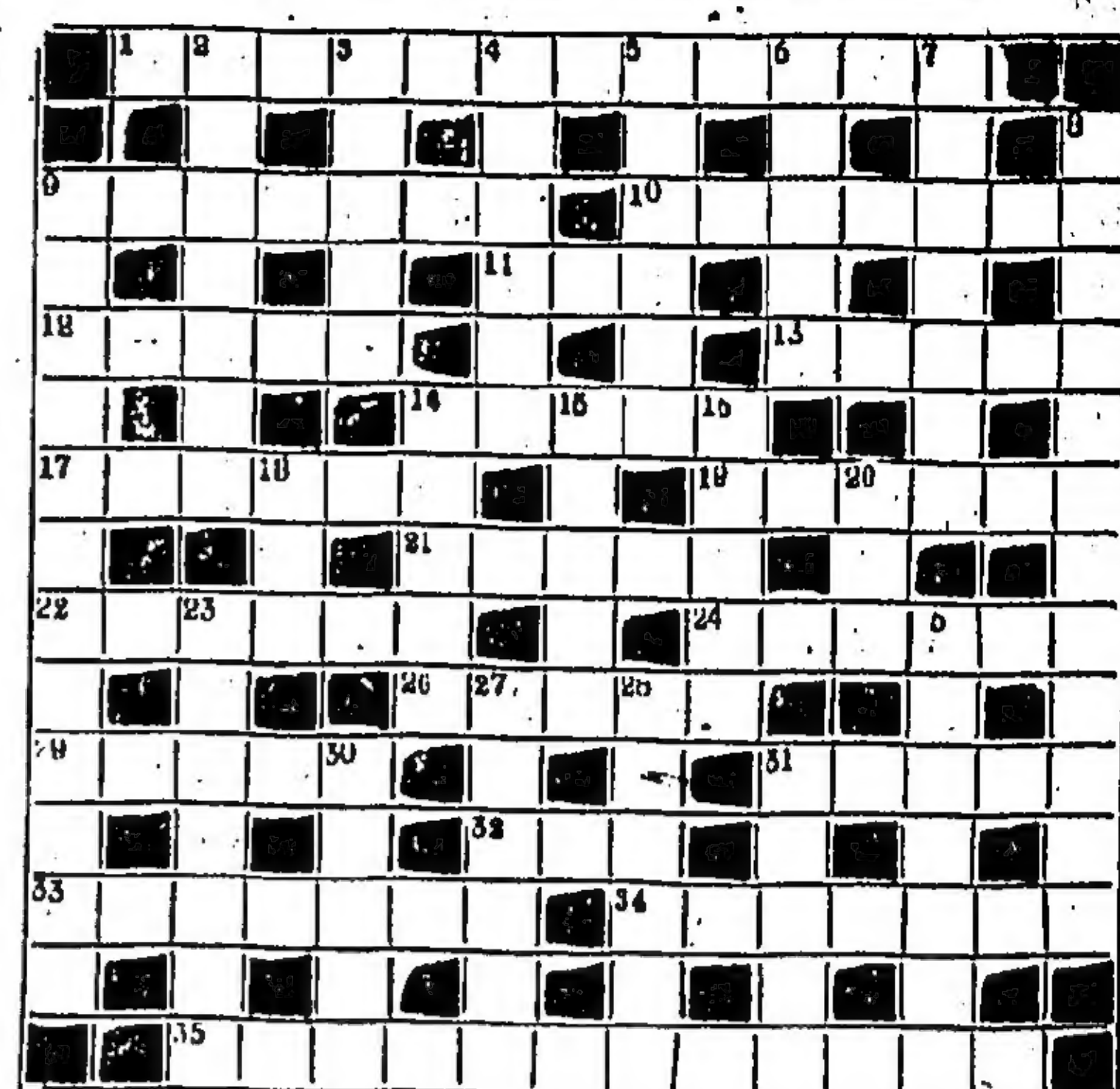
Referring to the Prison Department, the report criticizes the existing plan for the new Prison and questions the need for sixty European warders. Reductions should also be made at Victoria and Laichikok.

The C. S. O.

Speaking of the enormous growth of staff at the Colonial Secretary's Office, the report sums the trouble up briefly as "over-centralization."

The Commissioners consider that a great deal of matter of a trivial nature should be dealt with in toto by the heads of the various departments.

OUR BRITISH CROSSWORDS.



Across

- 1 Bold and confident to excess, and containing an arrangement for excess—of oil.
- 9 Take a drop of wine. It will give you aid.
- 10 Live in established custom.
- 11 Be careful now, this little beggar begins to take advantage.
- 12 Give out slowly.
- 13 Being centrally illuminated, this is the choicest part.
- 14 There is something that has been burned in this Scottish dish.
- 17 Red Sam enters into visionary realms.
- 19 As dispatched, you might as well agree.
- 21 This man makes the most of his principal meal.
- 22 Do this and there will be no strings on it.
- 24 Put up a good fight, and you'll get it.
- 26 Try this kind of writing.
- 29 Nods are as good as winks here.
- 30 Ornament, but arrived with nothing.
- 32 A bit of an eyecore.
- 33 On land men are in their own.
- 34 Persons who frequently disagree with each other, and are imprudent, to a considerable degree.

Down

- 2 Extreme joy.
- 3 It was rather fun. I tempted it—chiefly with nuts—to return (hidden).
- 4 Morning prayer.
- 5 Let it rip in three.
- 6 Not necessarily aristocratic, but

- 7 A case where it is possible to put on side even if one does go down.
- 8 Official declarations in which more than one station is concerned.
- 9 Sounds like parental instructions to take a stroll—but the paterfamilias is non-existent.
- 14 Just a team—on the q.t.
- 15 Like extremes, these meet.
- 16 Stopt. It looks like being a black and dirty business.
- 18 Seen in a lagoon, but not recently, of course.
- 20 Help!
- 23 Give the trial your earnest consideration—though 'tis nothing but a trial after all.
- 25 Am good—and very bad.
- 27 Old-time corn cutter.
- 28 The opposite of present.
- 30 A simple sounding cut.
- 31 Chicken.

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SHARE PRICES.

TO-DAY'S QUOTATIONS.

The following is the list of local share quotations issued to-day:

Banks.

Hongkong Bank, \$1,500 n.
Chartered Bank, \$113 n.
Mercantile A. and B., \$20 n.
East Asia, \$115 n.

Insurance.

Canton Ins., \$1,250 n.
Union Ins., \$465 n.
China Underwriters, \$4 n.
China Fire, \$590 n.
H.K. Fire Ins., \$1,195 n.

Shipping.

Douglases, \$27 n.
H. K. Steamships, \$23 n.
Indo-Chinas, (Prof.) \$32 n.
Union Waterboats, \$19½ n.

Mining.

Benguet, \$12.60 b.
Kailans, 25½ n.
S'hai Explorations, Tls. 2.10 n.
Raub, \$38 b.

Docks, etc.

Kowloon Wharves, \$143 b.
Whampoa Docks, \$22/20 n.
South China Motors \$10 n.
Providents (old), \$4.90 b.
Hongkows, Tls. 220 n.
New Engineers, Tls. 6½ n.
Shanghai Docks, Tls. 90½ n.

Cottons.

Ewo Cottons, Tls. 14.75 b.
Shanghai Cotton, Tls. 75 n.
Zoon Sings Tls. 11½ n.

Lands, Hotels, etc.
H. K. Hotels \$13.60 n. Cum Rts.
H. K. Hotels, Rts. \$2.80 b.
H. K. Lands, \$78 b.
S'hai Lands, Tls. 27 n.
Humphreys \$18 n.
Reuthe's, \$11 b.

Public Utilities.
Tramways, \$21.60 b.
Penk Trams, (old), \$15.60 n.
Star Ferries, \$91½ b.
China Lights, \$21 n.
H. K. Electric, \$73½ b.
Macao Electric, \$24½ n.
Telephones, \$41 n.
China Buses, Tls. 16 n.
Singapore Traction, \$3- n.

Industrials.
Malabons, \$21 n.
Canton Ices, \$5½ n.
Cementa (com.), \$18.40 b.
Ropes, \$16½ n. Cum Div.

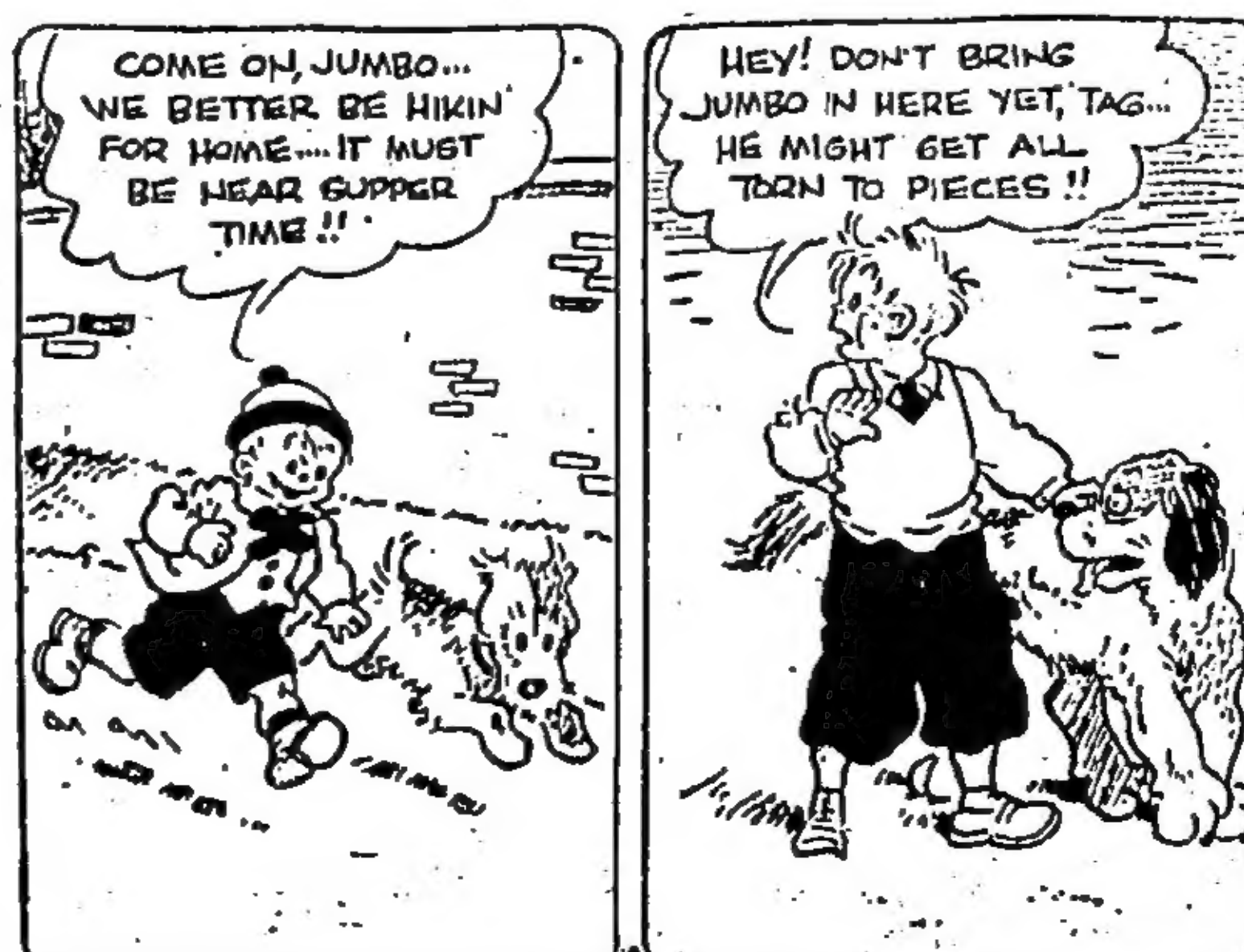
Stores, etc.
Dairy Farms, \$28.75 n.
Watsons, \$16 b.
Watsons Rights, \$3½ b.
Der A. Wings, \$1 n.
Lane Crawfords, \$5.50 n.
Mackintosh, \$19 n.
Sinceres, \$15¾ n.
Powells, \$3.65 n.

Miscellaneous.
Amusements, \$21½ n.
Entertainments (old) \$14.90 n.
Constructions (old) \$6.15 n.
S. C. Enterprises \$10 n.
B. Ind. G. & Bonds, \$58% n.
Loans, \$3½ b. Prem.
Constructions (new), \$1.85 b.
Asia Realities "A", \$160 n.
Asia Realities "B", \$80n.
Am: O. Finance Corp., \$29 n.

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Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Silva and family beg to tender their heartfelt thanks to all their relatives and friends and also the Brothers and Sisters of St. Joseph's College for their expression of sympathy in their bereavement, for attendance at the funeral and also for the floral tributes.

BIRTHS.

ASSUMPCA—On April 6th, 1932 to Mr. and Mrs. B. de Senna Fernandes D'Assumpcao a son.

FARRELL—At 454, Barker Road, The Peak, on 6th April, 1932, to Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Farrell, a son.

The
Hongkong Telegraph

THURSDAY, APRIL 7, 1932.

MENINGITIS.

Without wishing to be in any way alarmist, we cannot help doubting whether the authorities are taking the present meningitis outbreak seriously enough. The normal number of cases in a year in Hongkong is between twenty and twenty-five; already since January there have been about forty, with quite a dozen deaths. Five fresh cases were notified on Tuesday. These facts are in themselves sufficient proof of the fact that the Colony is facing a relatively serious outbreak, which may grow into even larger dimensions unless every possible effort is made to combat it. We have recollections of the terrible visitation in 1918, when it became necessary to institute special measures; and, knowing the facility with which the disease spreads, the public would like to feel assured that something more than merely trusting to the effects of the warmer weather will be done in the present outbreak.

The facts of the situation are well-known. Macao is at the moment experiencing a bad epidemic of the disease, and even were effective quarantine restrictions possible, which seems doubtful, it is believed that this would provide no guarantee against the disease being brought into Hongkong. The problem is rendered difficult owing to the spreading of the complaint by healthy carriers. But if the disease cannot be tackled at its source, surely something might be accomplished or attempted in the way of preventive measures in this Colony. In the 1918 outbreak, atomizing centres were established at various points, which the public were required to visit daily. The Medical Officer of Health is sceptical of the benefits of such treatment, but to the lay mind it would seem that nothing would be lost, and possibly much gained, by the instituting of some such measures. It is common knowledge that in times of epidemics there is such a thing as communal fear, and, to put it no higher, though we are by no means convinced

that this is its total value—preventive treatment of such a kind might possess a distinct advantage. We do not know the extent of the efforts which the authorities are making to grapple with the problem, but, if we are to judge from the observations recently made by the Medical Officer of Health, there would appear to be an attitude that practically nothing can be done in the matter. This will strike the public as reflecting a somewhat fatalistic frame of mind. Surely medical science has advanced sufficiently to permit of something more than merely sitting with folded arms and allowing matters to take their own course. For aught we know, the Government may be much more active than that, but the impression does certainly prevail that the full seriousness of the situation is not realised.

We urge the utmost concentration on the outbreak, on the ground that it will be late in the day to take special measures if and when the disease becomes more rampant in our midst. Macao would appear to be doing its utmost to restrict the effects of the scourge by isolating on isolation of sufferers, disinfecting all premises in which cases have occurred, and giving special treatment to contacts, as well as keeping them under observation. To what extent the Hongkong authorities are doing likewise has not been revealed, but it is sincerely to be hoped that nothing will be left undone to keep the outbreak in check. The dread nature of the disease, with its high mortality rate, is in itself sufficient reason for every possible precaution being adopted to limit its sphere of influence.

U.S.A. and Japan.

It does not follow that because an Admiral has predicted a Japanese-American War, it cannot be avoided. Neither is the suggestion lightly to be disregarded. There is no doubt that factors have been at work in the United States turning the great body of opinion almost violently against Japan, including an underlying racial antipathy, economic rivalry and the "yellow peril" scare of twenty years ago. While the earthquake of 1923 and Japan's enlightened policy following the Washington Conference greatly improved American sentiment, popular prejudice has persisted. Exclusion of Japanese immigration was a gratuitous affront that could only have been made possible by a latent, deep-rooted antipathy. Recent violence of the Japanese military has stirred the feeling into active animosity in many widely-varied quarters. It is of such things that wars are made. This situation unquestionably holds possibilities of grave dangers, and it would be well for Americans to turn for guidance to certain words of their two greatest presidents. One of the most striking things in Washington's final advice to the infant nation was his adjuration to exclude "permanent, inveterate antipathies against particular nations." And among Lincoln's last words to his countrymen were those asking them to press on "with malice toward none, with charity for all, with firmness in the right as God gives us to see the right." To-day firmness in the right requires no hatred. Steadfast maintenance of American rights and determined insistence upon the recognition of international obligations will achieve more than excited hostility. It is essential that Japan should not be allowed to profit by violence, but it is equally necessary that violence should not be employed to prevent violence. And that the seeds of future violence should not be sown. And if a "permanent, inveterate" antipathy toward Japan is to be avoided in America, it is important that greater effort be made to understand Japan. In so far as antipathy is founded on ignorance and fear, they should be removed. One need not try to justify unjustifiable actions, but it is impossible to judge fairly without knowing more of the background of the Sino-Japanese question than is generally known in the United States. The key to peace in the Pacific lies in Japanese-American friendship. Regret can hardly be too great that Japan's present mistake has tremendously complicated the problem of achieving the mutual understanding—and

DAY BY DAY

THE HISTORY OF A LIFE IS THE HISTORY OF A BODY NO LESS THAN THAT OF A SOUL.—Mortley.

Mr. B. Wylie left Hongkong to-day by the P. and O. liner Rampun, en route for his absence, Mr. F. P. Franklin will act as General Manager of South China Morning Post, Limited.

Among the passengers arriving here by the P. and O. liner Rampun was Mr. Denis H. Hazell, Far Eastern director of Wm. Sykes Ltd., returning from a successful tennis tour of Malaya and Sumatra.

A paper, illustrated by lantern slides, will be delivered by Mr. P. C. Barron on "The Luncheon Steam Turbine" at the Institution of Engineers and Shipbuilders, on Thursday, April 14, at 6.30 p.m. Members and their friends are cordially invited to attend.

Falling from the first floor of a house under construction in Portland Street, a plumber, Chung Man-kwong, of the Yau Lee firm of building contractors, received injuries to his head, necessitating his removal to the Kwong Wah Hospital in a serious condition.

Up to and including March 31, some 100,679 persons had been vaccinated by the members of the St. John Ambulance Brigade. This work was done free of charge. The largest number of vaccinations were performed by the Mongkok Division—33,261, and the next largest by the Chinese Athletics Association Division—17,590.

The exhibition of paintings by Mr. M. Kitchin at the Athena Studio, Gloucester Building, continues to draw daily crowds of art lovers. Opportunities of this kind are naturally restricted in Hongkong, and art lovers have not been slow to grasp the opportunity now presented. A remarkable nude study by Mr. Kitchin entitled "Firelight" has attracted considerable attention, and several other works of art have already been sold. The exhibition is open daily from 9 a.m. at the Athena Studio, Gloucester Building.

CANTON GOVT'S MONEY.

AUCTIONEER CHARGED WITH THEFT.

Described as an auctioneer of 23, Staunton Street, Tong Hon-chu appeared before Mr. Wynne Jones at the Central Police Court this morning on a charge of theft of \$22,680 (Hongkong currency), the money belonging to the Government of Canton.

Mr. D. L. Strellett appeared for the defendant. Detective Inspector A. J. Dorling intimated that Detective Inspector K. W. Andrews, who was in charge of the case, was ill in hospital, and the police were not ready to start the case. It was not known when the officer would be able to attend Court.

At the suggestion of Mr. Strellett, the case was remanded formally until Monday to see whether the officer would be able to attend and if not whether Inspector Dorling would be in a position to conduct the case.

Goodwill which must underlie that friendship. But hatred is not a solvent, and it is more necessary to-day than ever before that it be avoided.

WHAT I SAW IN SOVIET RUSSIA.

By A British Seaman.

I SAW a Meana Test demonstration in Edinburgh recently, and some of the banners displayed, such as "Support Soviet Russia," brought memories of my experiences in that distressed country back to me.

About twenty months ago I was surprised on rejoining my ship, a Newcastle tramp, to find she had been loaned to Russia, and that ship and crew had automatically become a unit of the Soviet Mercantile Marine. None of us felt elated to be serving under the Red Flag, but we were all curious and anxious to see for ourselves this "Eldorado" where all were equal.

We sailed to Onega, a timber port in the White Sea, and finally made a landfall after being lost, thanks to old charts. We lay there for a week, and not a soul came out to us during that time, not even to take their own pilot off. At the end of the week we were ordered to Archangel, and arrived there on a Sunday morning, to find work going on noisily on dozens of ships.

Uniformed officials swarmed aboard—and, by the way, they are the only ones with decent clothes. Our wireless set was sealed, our cameras were taken away, and our money put in the safe—the latter because the Russian peasants try to hoard foreign money. Russian rubles are useless for saving, the currency being altered every two years, making each previous currency invalid.

Social Conditions.
We lay six weeks in Archangel. I was tallying cargo most of the time, and gained a lot of information from prisoners who talked along with me. One or two had been priests—there is no religion here before the revolution. I asked the same questions of different people, and their answers varied little. Ashore I gained the rest of my information, and 'seeing is believing.'

The great majority live in community houses—one family, regardless of numbers, to two rooms, and filthy rooms, too, devoid of all ornament. Children remain with their parents until the age of fourteen, when they, too, go to live in community houses. The marriage law is a baulk.

The people are in three classes—labouring, clerical, and skilled workmen, the clerical classes having the least meat.

But everyone is rationed, the housewife usually spending all the morning in the queues. The price of butter I found to be 8s. 6d. a pound—and they export butter—and a suit of clothes of poor material would come to about £15, but were hard to get at all. Every person has an identification disc, and is virtually a prisoner.

Working Conditions.
Everyone but the housewife, from the age of nine works in some way for the State. Girls and boys from the age of nine till they reach twelve have to work a four hour day. Hundreds of such children helped to load us, sitting astride horses dragging the slings of timber. From the age of twelve till sixteen a six hour working day is demanded, and from that age up till eighteen they work an eight hour day. From then onwards it seems to be all work. I often saw girls stamping and tallying cargo for 24 hours at a

stretch, on two meals of black bread and water and sometimes a little mince or fish pie, the latter a nauseating concoction.

You have only to say a word in the wrong ear and you are in prison. The "Ogpu," or secret police, are everywhere. In Russia, please note, all sentences are "hard labour." The prisoners work in twelve hour shifts under guards with fixed bayonets, and the supply of prisoners is so great that no care is taken of their welfare. They develop sores and diseases, meet with accidents, and work on until they collapse. When they reach that stage it is left to fate whether they recover or die.

The prison camps are heavily guarded, but there is a right of way through several, and we used these frequently. The shacks the men live in are mere shelters and indescribably filthy. Each prisoner is given a cotton suit and a pair of jack boots, which he wears until they rot. His boots are then replaced by sack.

One or two women are employed all day washing the clothes of hundreds of fellow prisoners, an almost superhuman task. I have seen barefooted women and children packed from compounds at the bayonet point, for work up the line.

To beg food from the ships means ten years hard labour, which penalty I saw enforced once on two hungry peasants. To try to escape from the country and be caught is to be shot in your tracks. This I never witnessed personally, but I was shown a freshly-dug grave by the roadside, which, according to the apprentices of another British ship whom I met, was that of a stowaway, traced to the hold of their ship, from which he was hounded out and shot. Since then the British chief engineer of the same ship has been dead in Archangel for refusing to show a passport.

Printed in Britain.

In the matter of propaganda I take off my hat to the Russians. A ship docks and a suave gentleman comes aboard, puts you on the back, and escorts you to the International Seamen's Club of the district. You listen to speeches in fairly good English, in which you are urged as downtrodden workers of the world to unite and by force, and you are told all about the Wall Street crash, and many other incidents twisted and contorted to appeal as diabolical Capitalistic plots.

The walls of the clubs are covered with horrible pictures of the revolution and with banners in English and other language, such as "Down with the Pope" and "Down with the Capitalists." The tables are covered with pamphlets on the revolution. Many are printed in Glasgow, London, Berlin, and even as far away as New York. The strange part is that many of these stupid things are written by Britishers.

In those clubs women, old and young, and men of course, are made to stand in order that we can have seats, and such was their fear that they would not sit down again when we objected to this practice.

I found by comparing notes with the tally clerks, who put down rough estimates of the "Red" population of the big cities, that a bare 15 per cent. of the country was "Red." Only because the minority have the control of the communications, arms, and food, and because the policemen are given the run of the place to keep them happy, is order kept. And the biggest factor is that the Russian peasant is comparatively childish in mind owing to a lack of education over centuries. The majority have a very strange conception of conditions in other countries, too.

Dumping.

The peasant is being starved and slaved so that farm produce and the wealth of that vast country can be sent abroad ridiculously cheap; the biggest factor in the world slump of to-day. The majority of the Russians, mark you, are a lovable people, who have never had a break, first trampled under the hoofs of Cossacks' horses, and now mere teeth in the cog-wheel of the Soviet machine.

Only the prisoners showed any tendency to talk, and they were glad to do so. Others, who had their freedom to consider, had to be coaxed, and as they talked their eyes were never still—always watching.

Although our ship was under the Soviet, we could not obtain any stores, not even fresh water, for it was purified by the slow process of boiling, and so was scarce. For five weeks in Archangel we lived on salt meat and canned stuffs.

It was not possible to see inside the factories, for they were closely guarded—another Soviet custom. Propaganda and guns seem to be the only plentiful things; and propaganda went so far that if fresh meat were given preference for appearances' sake.



"Of course I don't really intend to dishonor them, but it's just as well to keep them thinking so."

GREAT BRITAIN
APPROACHED.NO REPLY SENT TO
"MANCHUKUO."

London, Apr. 6. In the absence of Sir John Simon, who was attending the Four-Power Conference, the Under Secretary for Foreign Affairs, replying to a question said that Sir John had received a communication purporting to be from the Minister for Foreign Affairs of the new Government in Manchuria, requesting the opening of formal diplomatic relations. No answer had been returned.

Regarding the movements of the League, Commission of Enquiry, he said the Secretary-General of the League was informed on the 26th March, that the Commission proposed to leave Shanghai that day for Nanking, where they would stay for four days, and that they would reach Peking at the end of his week. They expect to arrive in Manchuria at the beginning of the third week in April.—*British Wireless.*

IRELAND'S NOTE
RECEIVED.CONTENTS NOT YET
DIVULGED.

London, Apr. 6. A communication on the question of the Oath of Allegiance and the Land Annulment was received by the Dominions Secretary, Mr. J. H. Thomas, this morning from the President of the Council of the Irish Free State, Mr. de Valera.

Questioned in Parliament, Mr. Thomas said it was at present under consideration by the Government. Asked for a further statement on the subject, Mr. Thomas suggested that if the Leader of the Opposition, Mr. Lansbury, repeated the question on Monday, he might be able to give an answer.

As to the contents of the communication, Mr. Thomas said: It was not customary to publish documents of such a kind without agreement between the two Governments concerned. He added that he had already promised publication at the earliest possible moment.—*British Wireless.*

ARSENAL AGAIN
DEFEATED.HUDDERSFIELD RISE
IN TABLE.

London, Apr. 6. Arsenal's victory of the "double" this season receded far into the background to-day when they suffered defeat at Sunderland. The results of matches played to-day follow:

First Division.	
Liverpool	2 Chelsea
Sunderland	2 Arsenal
Huddersfield	1 Manch. City
Third Division (North).	
Chester	1 Crews
Scottish League.	
Kilmarnock	0 Aberdeen

The First Division leaders follow: Everton 36 23 3 10 108 61 49; Arsenal 36 18 9 9 74 43 45; Huddersfield 37 18 9 10 75 53 45.

SOVIET SPIES IN
POLAND.SENTENCES ON MAN
AND MISTRESS.

Warsaw, Apr. 6. Antoni Staniszewski and his mistress, Michalina Grot, were sentenced to ten years' and three years' hard labour respectively on charges of espionage to-day.

They were arrested prior to the arrest of Major Demkowski, who was shot on July 18 last year for espionage on behalf of the Soviet Government.—*Reuter.*

BAN ON INDIAN
CONGRESS.TO BE PROHIBITED
THIS YEAR.

New Delhi, Apr. 6. In consequence of the civil disobedience campaign, the Government of India has decided to prohibit the holding of the annual session of the Indian National Congress this year.

It had been arranged to hold the Congress at New Delhi, under the presidency of the veteran leader, Madan Mohan Malaviya.—*Reuter.*

CLEFTAGE OVER
BULGARIA.

(Continued from Page 1).

will be registered before the conference concludes, probably on Friday.

The full delegations of France, Germany, Italy and United Kingdom attended the Conference, which was held at the Foreign Office this afternoon.

Communique Issued.

It rose after a three hours' session and a communique issued later stated:

An exchange of views took place as regards the problems inherent in the present economic and financial circumstances of the Danubian States and the nature of the measures most appropriate for their solution.

Before the Conference adjourned a committee was appointed to report on this subject to the Conference then it resumes on Thursday at 2.30 in the afternoon.

The four Powers agreed to appoint a committee of experts—one from each of the four Powers—to consider the problems raised by the recent report of the Financial Committee of the League of Nations on the financial state of certain countries of central and south-eastern Europe.

Leaders' Committee.

It is understood that the Committee of the Conference will, in effect, be composed of the heads of the delegations and that Mr. Ramsay MacDonald will act as Chairman.

The committee of experts which the four Powers have appointed to examine the League's financial committee's report will consist of representatives of the Treasuries of the Governments concerned. Sir Frederick Leith-Ross will be the British representative.

Feeling was expressed at today's meeting that there was a danger of some of the very valuable reports prepared under the auspices of the League of Nations being neglected because there was no executive authority to take them into detailed consideration.

Experts' Job.

The Report published last week has a very definite bearing on the subject before the Four-Power Conference and as is already known it is to be considered next Tuesday at a specially convened meeting of the League of Nations Council. All the members of the expert committee which has been appointed have not yet reached London, but they will begin work as soon as possible and may continue their deliberations of the proposals made in the League report after the present Conference has concluded.—*Reuter and British Wireless.*

LADY CHASES
SNATCHER.\$3,000 LOSS JUST
PREVENTED.

A chase through two streets after a snatcher who had stolen her handbag, containing \$2,500 and jewellery worth a further \$500, was carried out by Mrs. Bird, a visitor to the Colony staying in the Repulse Bay Hotel, shortly after mid-day yesterday.

Mrs. Bird had been to a jeweller's shop in Queen's Road West and made a number of purchases, including two jade-rings. When she came out with a leather handbag gripped under her arm, a man darted out from the crowd and snatched it.

In the ensuing hue-and-cry, the thief ran into King Yuen Street, off Queen's Road, with Mrs. Bird in pursuit. He tripped and fell twice, and on the second occasion, having pressed by Mrs. Bird, was compelled to leave the bag on the ground. Mrs. Bird recovered the article, and by now completely out of breath, retired into a nearby shop and rested.

The thief, continuing his flight, ran into the arms of a district watchman in Sutherland Street, and was arrested. He was sentenced by Mr. Schofield at the Central Magistrate's Court to six months' hard labour and 15 strokes of the birch.

"L.G." GIVING UP
POLITICS.FOR LITERATURE AND
FARMING.

London, Apr. 6. It is understood that Mr. Lloyd George, "The Father of the House of Commons," has decided virtually to retire from active politics in the House of Commons, while retaining his seat.

He will, it is believed, devote himself principally to literary pursuits and his favourite hobby of farming.—*Reuter.*

HONGKONG
WOMEN:

"HOMO" REPLIES.

AN UNPROFITABLE
ENMITY.

The drift of my first letter appears to have been misapprehended by some of your correspondents. An attempt has been made therein to arouse Hongkong men from their manifest acquiescence or lethargy in connexion with what I consider to be, at the moment, a one-sided sex war.

Criticism of women, taken in the aggregate, was unavoidable under the circumstances, but it was not disseminated with the object either of exciting their wrath or of reforming them—"convince a woman against her will, and she is of the same opinion still."

To what extent I have succeeded in achieving my real aims remains to be proved by approaching developments, but I have unquestionably contrived to arouse a measure of unprofitable enmity in the ranks of the predatory female.

I very much regret that hostility has been demonstrated by innuendo and personal revilement, instead of rational argument, but, after all, the weaker sex is notoriously prone to take refuge in vituperation when reason has been confounded.

"Pussy" remarks that "in a correspondence of this nature we do not want the personal element and personal prejudices," and yet she straightaway affirms that there must be something radically wrong with my personality. She asserts that I cover my weakness with high-sounding words and phrases without making the least effort in the direction of exposing or proving the delusion.

A Pretty Picture.

"Annabelle" goes still further. Not content with ridiculing my views and mode of expression, she must have something semi-concrete at which to spit and scratch. She lies awake at night and in her fertile imagination conjures up a crude, abominable personality—a gentleman (?)—a sort of a rattle-snake in his youth... a loathsome tyrant to his innocent, slavish girl-wife, spending his days in drunken orgies and ultimately descending to unprintable depths of infamy.

Well, I guess I'll be laying no claim to the appellation of "gentleman" if the modern lounge lizard is "Annabelle's" definition, and the remainder of her flatteringly conjured up no ice as far as my established views on woman are concerned.

"Flagrant renunciation" taken to the limit means discontinuation of human evolution. To "Annabelle" this, perhaps, means nothing. In my opinion, it is of vital import to even the present generation.

"A mother should be the dearest possession to the heart of a man." I readily agree, but motherhood that seeks to evade or that puts "a good time" before maternal responsibilities can never hope to command either love or respect.—"Homo."

EXCHANGE RATES.

	Previous Day.	Yesterday.
Paris	95.5	96.1
Geneva	19.42 1/2	19.17/32
Berlin	15.90	16
Oslo	19.1/16	19 1/4
Helsingfors	215	215
Athens	300	300
Buenos Aires	37 1/4	36.13/16
Shanghai	1.7 1/4	1.7 1/4
New York	1.7 1/4	1.7 1/4
Amsterdam	9.31 1/2	9.38
Vienna	32	32
Madrid	50	50.3/16
Bucharest	60	60
Hongkong	1.73/32	1.73/32
Brussels	26.95	27 1/4
Milan	73 1/4	73 1/4
Copenhagen	18.2/16	18.2
Prague	127 1/4	128 1/4
Lisbon	110	110
Rio	4.1/16	4.1/16
Bombay	1.6/1/32	1.6/1/32
Yokohama	1.7/4	1.7/4
Montevideo	30	30
Montreal	4.18	4.20
Silver (spot)	17 1/4	17 1/4
(forward)	17.5/16	17.1/16

—*British Wireless.*LIVED 82 YEARS IN A
CONVENT.

Sister Mary Martha Butti, the oldest Franciscan nun in England, who died in her 99th year, was buried recently at the Franciscan Convent, Taunton, where she had spent her life since the age of 16. Since she became a postulant, she had never been outside the convent walls.

She received a special blessing from the Pope when she celebrated the 76th anniversary of her admission into the religious life.

PEACE PARLEY
PROGRESS.OUTLOOK LITTLE
BETTER.

Tokyo, Apr. 6.

The Government is understood to have agreed to Mr. Shigemitsu declaring that as soon as conditions in and around Shanghai have improved sufficiently to ensure a sense of security for Japanese nationals as regards the protection of their lives, property and legitimate pursuits, Japanese troops will be further withdrawn to the International Settlement and the Extra-Settlement roads in the Hongkew District, as prior to January 28.

Mr. Shigemitsu will also be instructed to intimate that if the Chinese definitely commit themselves to participate in a Round Table Conference after the truce has been concluded, Japan will be prepared to consider further concessions, including the setting of a time limit for withdrawal.—*Reuter.*

A Slight Advance.

Shanghai, Apr. 6.

The prospects at the Sino-Japanese armistice conference took a turn for the better to-day, when the military sub-committee reached a tentative agreement with regard to the points to which the Japanese forces should temporarily withdraw, prior to complete evacuation to the Settlement.

Members of the sub-committee, accompanied by British, American, French and Italian military attaches, will inspect the points in question to-morrow, and will then confirm the tentative agreement, with possible amendments.

This marks a definite step forward, but the toughest nut, namely the time in which total withdrawal of the Japanese forces to the Settlement shall be accomplished, remains to be cracked. The outlook in this matter is not too bright, as the Japanese continue to turn a deaf ear to the insistent Chinese demand for a definite time limit.—*Reuter.*

The Chapel Plot.

Shanghai, Apr. 6.

Mr. Wu Teh-chen has ordered the arrest of all persons alleged to be plotting for the establishment of a puppet government in Shanghai, under Japanese military protection.

Chinese officials attach but little importance to the plot, contending that any illegal political organisation created with Japanese assistance will naturally disappear when the Japanese forces withdraw and normalcy is restored.—*Reuter Special.*

Japanese Victory.

Harbin, Apr. 6.

It is reported that Fancheng has been occupied by Japanese forces after heavy fighting, the Kirin troops retreating to Sansing, pursued by the Japanese.

It is reliably learned that three large mixed bands of Russian, Korean and Chinese partisans, are operating between Pogranichnyaya, Muling and Hengshihotze. These partisans are stated to be well armed, with machine-guns, automatic rifles and bombs.—*Reuter.*

S. M. Railway.

Tokyo, Apr. 6.

Imperial sanction is to be sought, shortly, to appoint Mr. Yoshiaki Hattia to succeed Mr. Eguchi as vice-president of the South Manchuria Railway.

Although Mr. Eguchi has tendered his resignation, Mr. Uchida is expected to continue as president, despite reports that he would resign if Mr. Eguchi resigned.—*Reuter.*

Kwangtung Post.

Shanghai, Apr. 6.

It is reported that Mr. Wu Teh-chen and General Pan Chi-wu, the chief of staff of the Nineteenth Route Army, are both candidates for the Chairmanship of the Kwangtung Provincial Government.

Gen. Pan Chi-wu has left for Canton.—*Reuter Special.*

POSTAL CLERK
SENTENCED.IMPRISONMENT FOR
SIX MONTHS.

Having yesterday admitted a charge of the forgery of mail matter, Tang Yuk-chau, a clerk at the General Post Office, appeared at the Central Police Court this morning to receive sentence.

The Magistrate (Mr. Wynne-Jones) said he had given the case his most earnest consideration, remembering also that the most important side of the punishment was the deterrent factor. He could not but consider when committed by a person holding the position that the defendant had, and this kind of thing could not be allowed to go on. He had therefore no option but to sentence the defendant to prison for six months.

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Lohengrin-Prelude Act III. (Wagner).
Symphony Orchestra.
Lohengrin-The Bridal Chorus (Wagner).
Chorus and Symphony Orchestra conducted by Albert Coates. 9005.
Faust-Le parlait d'amore (Gounod).
Margarete Matzenauer (Contralto). 6018.

Samson and Delilah-Bacchanale (Saint-Saens).
Philadelphia Symphony Orch. 6823.
Bohemian-Rhapsody of Rodolfo (Puccini).
Giovanni Martinelli (Tenor). 6595.
7.00 p.m. Stock quotations; mail notice.
6.20-7.15 p.m. A Concert.
Piano Solo-Etude in D Flat Major (Scriabine).
Piano Solo-Etude in C Sharp Minor (Scriabine).
Muriel Kerr. 4113.
Song-Since First I Met Thee (Watson-Rubinstein).
Song-Songs my Mother Taught Me (Macfarren-Dvorak).
Rosa Ponselle (Soprano). 1319.
Violin Solo-Vocalise (Rachmaninoff-Peters).
Violin Solo-Caprice in E Flat Major (Wieniawski-Kreisler).
Mischa Elman. 1364.
Song-Bird Songs at Eventide (Barrie-Coates).
Song-The Little Silver Ring (Chaminade).
John McCormack (Tenor). 1303.
Piano Solo-Etude Tableau (Rachmaninoff).
Piano Solo-Dance of the Gnomes (Liszt).
Sergei Rachmaninoff. 1184.
Vocal Duet-I Know a Bank Whereon the Wild Thyme Blows (Shakespeare-Horn).
Olive Kline and Elsie Baker.
Vocal Duet-The Moon Has Risen Her Lamp Above (Benedict).
Royal Dalmian and Lambert Murphy. 4085.

Violin Solo-Tango (Albeniz-Kreisler).
Fritz Kreisler.
Violin Solo-Dance Espagnole (Spanish Dance) (De Falla-Kreisler).
Fritz Kreisler. 1339.
7.15-7.25 p.m.
Ma Mere L'Oye (Mother Goose) (Ravel).
Boston Symphony Orchestra under the direction of Serge Koussevitzky. 7370-7371.

7.25-8.00 p.m. Vocal Gems.
"Rose-Marie."
"No No Noretta."
"The Student Prince in Heidelberg."
"The Love Song."
"The Merry Widow."
"The Chocolate Soldier."
"Robin Hood."

Victor Light Opera Company.
35755, 35757, 35716, and 35784.
8.00 p.m. Local time; weather report.
8.03-10.30 p.m. Chinese Concert from the Studio.
10.30 p.m. Rugby mid-day press news.

10.33 p.m. Close down.
All records in the above European programmes are kindly supplied by Messrs. Tsang Fook Piano Co.

Monthly Report.

According to the March report of the Hongkong Broadcasting Committee, the actual hours of transmission during the month totalled 201.75, of which 152.25 were devoted to European programmes and 100.60 to Chinese programmes. The monthly percentages were, European, 58.17; Chinese, 41.83.

During the month the following items were broadcast: Dance programmes, 6; running commentaries, 1; European Studio concerts, 4; Chinese studio concerts, 5; European relays, 11; Experimental relays, 2; Chinese relays, 7; European lectures, 1; European readings, 1; Chinese lectures, 4; European children's programmes, 5; Chinese children's programmes, 6.
New licences issued during March, amounted to 31, and there were 80 renewals.

SYDNEY INCIDENT.

RIBBON SLASHER PAYS £5
FOR EXPLOIT.

Sydney, Apr. 6. The mounted police officer, Captain De Groot, was to-day fined £5 for his ribbon slashing exploit on the occasion of the opening of the Sydney harbour bridge. It will be recalled that he dashed forward and severed the ribbon across the entrance, with his sword, before Premier Lang could cut it.—*Reuter.*

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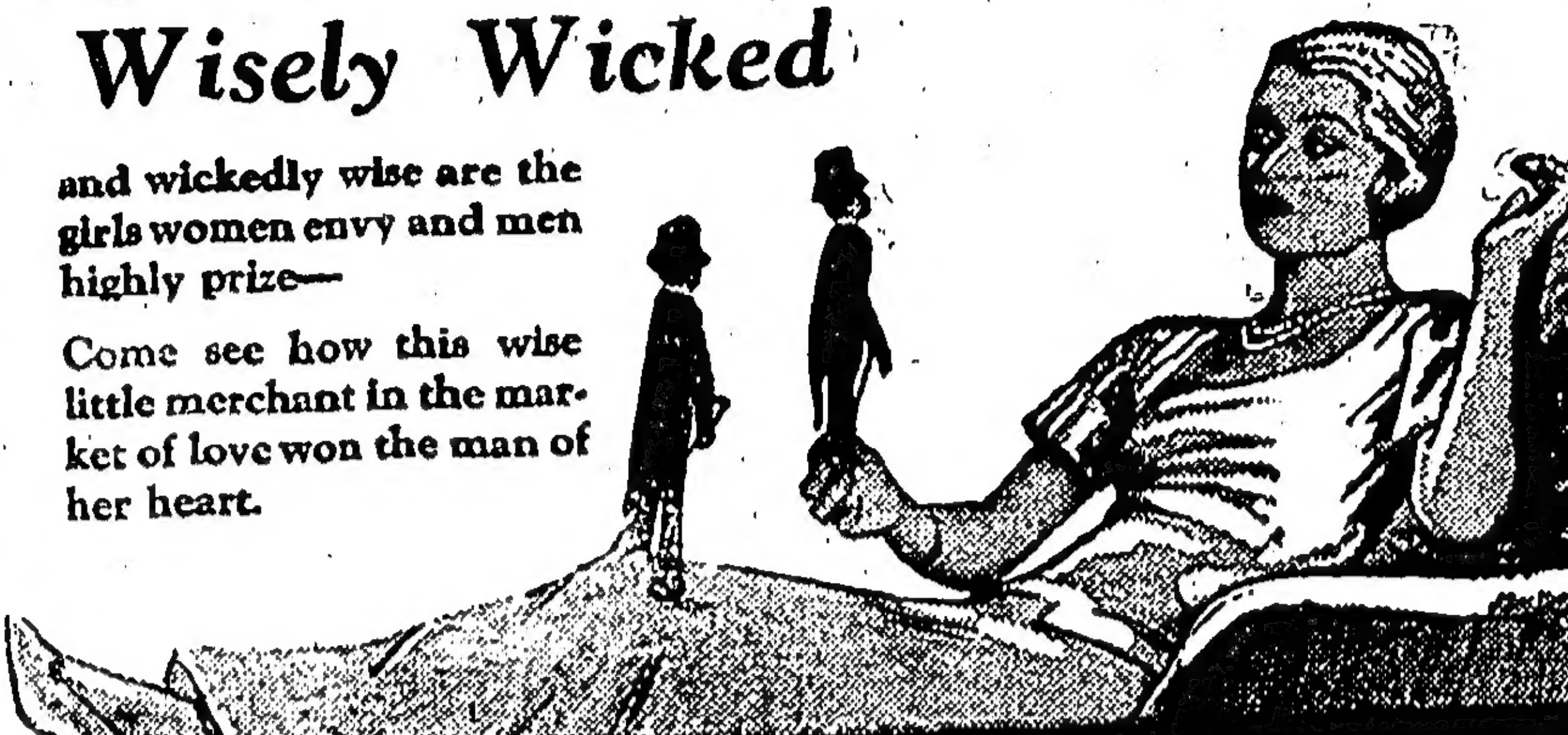
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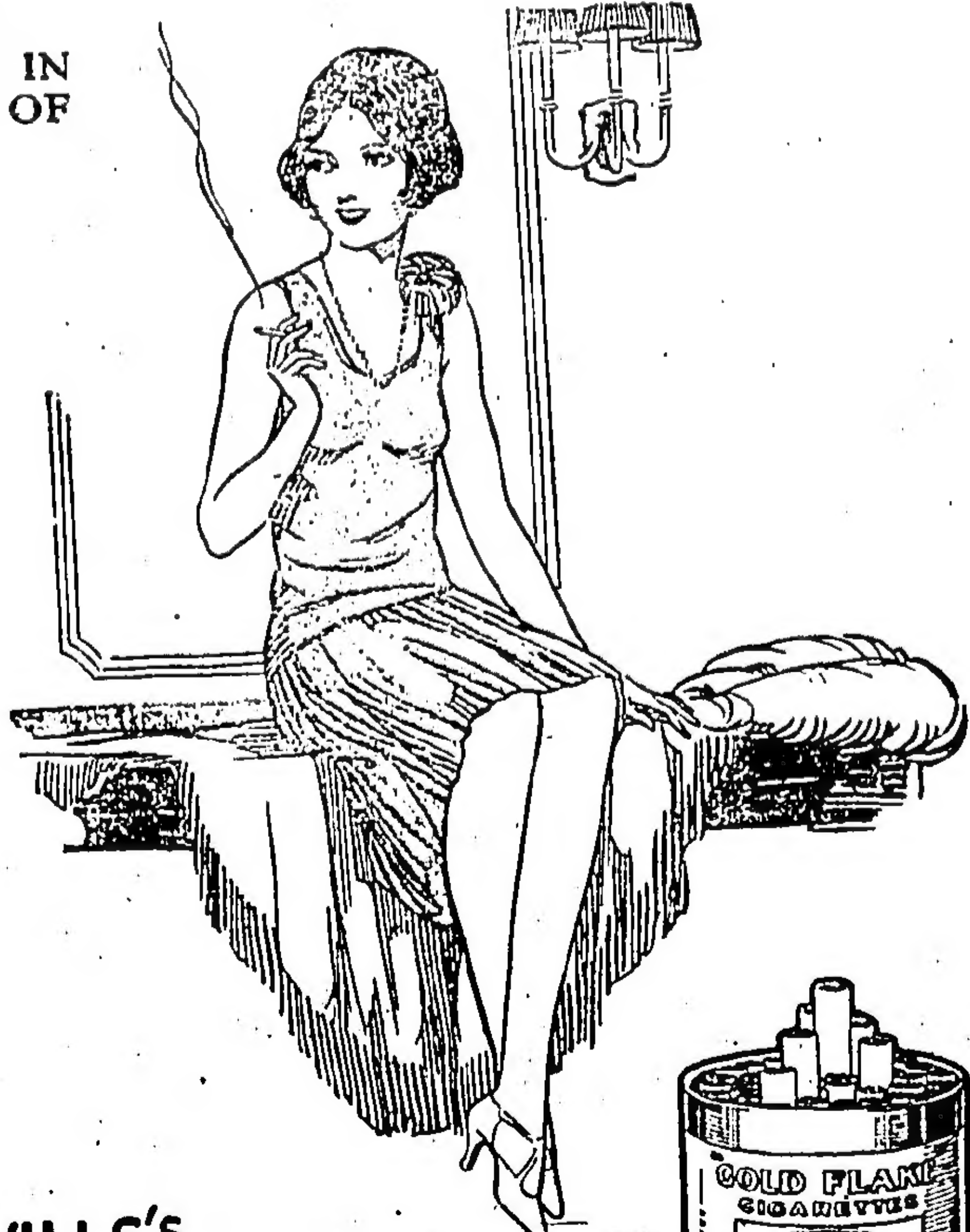
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CINEMA SCREENINGS.

NOTES SUPPLIED BY THE
THEATRES.

A million youngsters in America to-day would gladly trade places with Junior Durkin. Not because he is in motion pictures, for hundreds of other boys have shared this honour, or because he happens to have acquired some money in his own name, for there are thousands of boys who are infinitely more wealthy than he. But, because he happens to be galloping along on a fast pony, is chased by real Indians, swings a lariat around actual cows, sits down to eat with hardened cowboys and, in short, is to all purposes a "sure enough" cowboy.

Durkin plays the part of "Old Timer," a youth of the early West, in "The Santa Fe Trail," Paramount's talking film edition of the Hal G. Evans' novel, "Spanish Acres," and the principal offering at the King's Theatre to-day.

As the pal of Richard Arlen and Eugene Pallette, he herds thousands of sheep across country from Kansas to New Mexico.

Being a cowboy is the heart's desire of nearly every American boy. For that reason, youngsters play at Indian and cowboy, dress up in miniature cowboy suits procured from the department store, and make bold motions with a cap pistol or a wooden revolver.

Like all of the others, Durkin has cherished the same dream. Born in the East far away from the cow country, Durkin has lived his life around the stage. Before he was three, he was acting. Since that time, he has appeared in numerous plays, one being the successful performance of "Courage" for forty-two weeks on Broadway.

Being a stage favourite is a considerable achievement, especially for one of tender years. But Durkin always longed to do cowboy things such as he saw on the screen and read in books. It has kept him cool in the heat of his early heat ever since his first screen chance. His first efforts before the camera were for a society drama.

Comedy of Get-Rich-Quick Promoters.

The festive and hilarious activities of J. Rufus Wallingford grater 'de luxe, are depicted in "Wallingford," which will open on Sunday at the Queen's Theatre.

William Haines portrays the master crook, Jimmy Duran, the famous "Schnozzle" comedian of the New York stage, has a prominent role as the chauffeur who in an unassuming episode impersonates a senator, and Ernest Torrence completes the trio as Wallingford's partner in easy pickings, Blackie Day. Lella Hyams has the feminine lead.

The picture was suggested by the George Randolph Chester stories which ran in the Cosmopolitan Magazine. Haines romps through a dozen tricky deals in high finance, floats a clay mine, kills a Syracuse manufacturer, out-smarts a detective who is his Nemesis and in general proves himself a match for the keenest wits. Finally, however, he meets defeat at the hands of a girl, reforms, marries and settles down.

Aside from its many comedy moments, the picture presents a straight romantic narrative. High lights include an amusing poker game at sea, the bilking of a Syracuse "sucker" in a bank, an ingenious scheme for the opening up of a clay hill and the police trap into which Wallingford eventually falls, only to be saved by a hair-breadth escape.

Charles MacArthur prepared the screen script and the picture was directed by Sam Wood, who has filmed many Haines comedies and scored with one of last season's biggest film hits, "The Man in Possession." The supporting cast includes Guy Kibbee, Hale Hamilton, Robert McWade, Clara Blandick and Walter Walker.

"Palmy Days."

Samuel Goldwyn's ceaseless star-hunting activities take a new turn in the Eddie Cantor comedy, "Palmy Days," coming to the King's Theatre on Sunday. Youthful Barbara ("Boobie") Weeks, of jet black eyes and blacker hair, is the girl who in a more serious picture would be called "the romantic interest."

Bobbie Weeks shines, dances and laughs her way through the picture as an accomplice and confidante to Cantor and the elongated Charlotte Greenwood. For all intents and purposes, she is one of the stars of "Palmy Days."

In the earlier Cantor picture, "Whoopie," Goldwyn selected her as a chorus girl out of a great army of Broadway recruits. Bobbie had been trying to forget that she was a dancer. She didn't particularly like the idea of dancing again, even if she did lead as pulchritudinous an ensemble through elaborate and complicated dance routines. She wanted to be a dramatic actress.

Gene Buck had promoted her from a chorus girl in "Take the Air" to a speaking determination as only a Bostonian can command. For she enrolled herself in two prominent dramatic schools and worked diligently at memorizing the leading parts from the dramatic classics. But Barbara's time hadn't come yet. Directly, she found herself in the chorus of the New Amsterdam Theatre production of "Whoopie," without a line or a speaking part.

From that she migrated to Hollywood, and to the chorus in Goldwyn's and Ziegfeld's picturized "Whoopie." Goldwyn quickly saw possibilities in her and took an option on her services.

Not only was the option taken up by the producer when Cantor was ready to begin on "Palmy Days," but he signed Barbara to a five year contract. Which, taking Goldwyn's reputation as a finder and developer of stars into consideration, seems to indicate that she is in "Palmy Days" Barbara Weeks is taking place beside Marilyn Miller, Adolphe A. Kral and the other great stars of musical comedy.

SATURDAY'S CRICKET.

STRONG TEAM CHOSEN TO
MEET INDIAN R.C.

The following have been selected to play for the Rest of the League against the Indian Recreation Club, champions in the First Division, on the I. R. C. ground on Saturday, at 2 p.m.—G. R. Sayer (Capt.), and J. E. Richardson (Civil Service), E. C. Fincher and G. C. Burnett (Kowloon C. C.), E. J. R. Mitchell and A. C. Beck (Hongkong C. C.), Capt. Burnett (Royal Navy), L. T. Rice and D. J. N. Anderson (University), E. Zimmern and R. Lee (Craighower).

The Champions' Eleven.

The following will represent the I. R. C.—A. A. Rumjahn (Capt.), F. D. Pereira, S. R. Kermani, A. H. Rumjahn, A. H. Madar, S. A. Ismail, A. K. Minu, A. R. Minu, J. S. A. Curreen, H. D. Rumjahn and A. N. Other. Reserve—J. S. A. Curreen.

LOCAL FOOTBALL.

YESTERDAY'S RESULTS IN
HONGKONG LEAGUE.

Results of senior division league football played yesterday were:
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The Division II game between the Argyls and R.A.O.C. arranged to be played on the Chatham Road ground was postponed.

Or Katherine Cornell, Ethel Barrymore and the stars of the drama, Barbara adds.

"Behind Office Doors."

At last the private secretary gets a break!

This much-abused, hard-worked queen of the office can't say now that she is completely overlooked in the scheme of life, for Radio Pictures' "Behind Office Doors" which opens at the Queen's Theatre to-day in a romantic film woven out of her everyday experiences.

Without excessive gloss, Mary Astor portrays vividly the role of a private secretary who falls hopelessly in love with her boss only to discover that he regards her merely as an office worker.

The story is laid in a typical American office where numerous typewriters clatter in a noisy industry that is familiar to more than half of the country's population. There, girls who have families to support live and work—girls drowning out personal tragedies, secret love affairs and joys in a constant, unceasing flow of work. Into this familiar, human background, Director Melville Brown has interlarded a beautiful romance which will awaken an interest in the heart of every working girl who sometime or other has fallen captive to the good looks and kindness of her boss.

The result is an intimate drama of a private secretary, seen through the eyes of those actively engaged in the work.

The film features an unusually strong cast in addition to Miss Astor, including Robert Ames, Richard Cortez, Catherine Dale Owen and Edna Murphy.

"Sin Takes a Holiday."

One of the most brilliant casts ever assembled in any motion picture distinguishes Constance Bennett's Pathé production, "Sin Takes a Holiday," which is showing at the Central Theatre to-day.

Miss Bennett's role in this picture is one that she plays to the manner born and in the somewhat risqué situations which abound, she displays artistry of diamond-pure lustre. As her leading man, the beautiful star of "Rich People," "This Thing Called Love" and "Common Clay," has Kenneth MacKenna produced, directed and played leads in many New York successes, including "The Big Pond," before talking pictures claimed him.

Playing MacKenna's rival is Basil Rathbone, who appeared with Norma Shearer in "The Last of Mrs. Cheyney." Rathbone, who started his theatrical career on the London stage, was featured in "This Man and World," "The Bishop Murder Case" and "Lady of Scandal."

To Rita La has gone the feminine menace role. Miss La Roy's work in "Dynamite," "The Love Trap," "The Bachelor Girl" and "The Delightful Rogue" won her a picture contract. Helen Johnson, blonde stage and film player, has the role of a society girl.

Men-about-town roles are played by Louis Bartels and John Roche, experienced film players with stage backgrounds. As a sophisticated society woman, Ronald Lee adds another authentic touch to the cast. Murrel Finlay, selected by Henry Clive, the artist, as California's "golden girl" and designated by Florenz Ziegfeld as one of America's foremost beauties, also has a society girl role. Fred Walton, veteran character actor, plays a butler.

Paul L. Stein directed "Sin Takes a Holiday." Among his directorial successes are "One Romantic Night," "Her Private Affair" and "This Thing Called Love." Robert Milton and Dorothy Cairns wrote the original story and the photoplay is by Horace Jackson.

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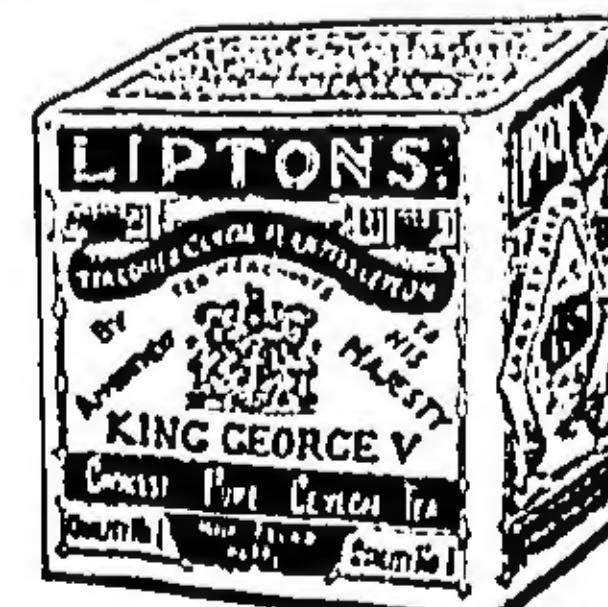
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RETRENCHMENT.

(Continued from Page 5.)

The heads of departments all appeared to the Commissioners to be anxious and willing to accept full responsibility for the running of their departments, but the Colonial Secretary's Office apparently will not let them have it.

The Cadet Service.

Dealing with the Cadet Service, the Commissioners note that the number of senior posts was recently increased from five to seven. The Commissioners recommend that these posts be not automatically filled on a vacancy occurring, but only when an officer sufficiently qualified and efficient to be deserving of such promotion is available. These promotions should be made strictly on merit and not seniority.

Education.

After dealing with various aspects of the Education Department, the report expresses the opinion that too much is done for secondary education and too little for primary.

The former could be curtailed without any detriment to the Colony, and the method by which this should be done is by raising the fees at Government secondary schools which at present bear no relation to the cost of providing the education.

The basis on which grants are made to grant-in-aid schools should be rationalized. Speaking of subsidized schools, the report says that the ultimate ideal to be kept in view is free elementary education for all.

Referring specifically to the Diocesan Boys' School, Kowloon, the Commissioners say:

"It would seem also to the Commissioners a matter for regret that a site so fine and extensive, and indeed possibly the best, in the residential portion of Kowloon, should have been allotted for the purpose of building this school: the lack of policy on the part of the Education Department would here again appear to be demonstrated. Two of the finest sites in the Colony (i.e. the Diocesan Boys' School, Kowloon, and St. Stephen's College, Stanley), have been allotted to denominational schools, while the Government has not only built King's College at a cost of one million dollars—in what one may term a back street of Hongkong and without adequate or suitable surroundings, but also proposed to build a new Central British School, likewise at the cost of one million dollars, in a place remote from the inhabitants whose children it is proposed to educate therein, and near the purlieus of Old Kowloon City."

Exchange Problem.

Under the heading Treasury, the Commissioners do not agree with the opinion that to fix exchange is to gamble. Consistently to settle, or consistently to refrain from settling, would over a period of years allow the law of averages to come into operation, and would show the same result. On the other hand, to fix exchange enables the Government, whose revenue is in dollars, to know in advance how many dollars it will require in respect of all its commitments, both silver and sterling. If sterling be available in London for the Government's gold commitments this point is of course met, but if it be not available and contracts for supplies be entered into, to be paid later out of dollar revenues not yet in the Treasury, then exchange should be settled when the transaction is authorized. Care should be taken to obtain competitive rates when settling.

Official Commentary.

The Government in a commentary on the report, declares that it is not prepared to consider the proposal for severing the Water Works Office from the P.W.D., and, in connection with the price-costing of water, refers to the possible effects on the poorer classes.

Referring to local architects, the Government does not consider it desirable to confine the list of authorized architects to persons who hold the certificates of A.R.I.B.S., no such provision being in force in England. The Government does not consider the suggestion to put the Electrical Department under the Postmaster-General to be sound. The department deals with many matters outside the sphere of the Postmaster-General. Referring to the P.W.D., the Government states that the Commissioners appear to have misconceived somewhat the position of executive engineers. They are in full control of their sub-departments.

Marine Cases.

With regard to the Harbour Department, the Government points out that the hearing of non-technical cases by the Harbour Master takes on an average ten to fifteen minutes a day. To transfer these cases to the Central Magistracy would not therefore do much to lighten the work of the Harbour Master.

With reference to the revenue of the Government Marine Surveyors Department, the Government points out that if all fees were trebled, there would still be an appreciable gap between revenue and expenditure. It therefore considers that any attempt at the present juncture to make this department self-supporting by increasing survey fees would be a grave mistake.

The Harbour Department is primarily a department to control and regulate vessels and shipping in the harbour, and only secondarily a revenue producing one. It would, in the Government's opinion, be most unwise to reverse this order.

Medical Department.

Concerning the Medical Department, the Government states that the gradual replacement of European by Chinese nursing sisters has been and will continue to be the Government's policy.

As regards the Sanitary Department, the Government does not consider it desirable to have street cleaning done by a contractor. The system was tried before and the results were not satisfactory.

The replacement of Europeans by Asiatics in the Sanitary Department will have to be gradual and the experiment carefully watched.

Russian Police.

Referring to the suggestion for employing Russians in the Police Force, the Government prefers the proposition put forward by the Chairman to that of the Unofficial members. The Inspector General of Police has carefully gone into the question as to how far section sergeants can be replaced as a result of the use of motor cycles. He finds that only ten can be so reduced. Further, in no city in the world have foot patrols been supplanted by motor cycle police. In the interests of economy, however, the Government is willing to give the scheme a trial.

Exchange.

Coming to the Treasury, the Government remarks that the matter of fixing exchange has its ardent advocates as it has opponents. The Government admits that last year, with the drop in the value of the dollar, the Government would have gained had it fixed exchange. On the other hand, the dollar tends to rise, the effect might easily be disadvantageous to the Colony. The

RAPE CHARGE FAILS.

A CASE HEARD IN NEW TERRITORIES COURT.

A case in which a charge of rape and attempted rape was brought against Shing Yung-on, a youth at Hang Hau Village, Sai Kung, New Territories, by a girl named Wong Kiu, had a sequel in the court of the District Officer South yesterday afternoon.

Sergeant Williams prosecuted, while Mr. Peter H. Sin defended the accused and entered a plea of "not guilty." In outlining the case to his Worship (Mr. J. S. Maclearen) Sergeant Williams said that the complainant lived with her parents who kept an opium den in the village, where men went to smoke opium, and that the alleged offence was committed on January 3 this year. The girl was 15 years of age. On the day in question the parents were out. The girl was subsequently examined by a doctor. The mother of the girl, upon being informed of the matter, laid information to the Police. The accused was the son of a shopkeeper in the village.

In the witness box the girl stated that she did not try to shout when the alleged offence was committed by the accused, and that she was not afraid of him. Questioned by the Magistrate she admitted that she had previous relations with the accused, and further admitted that one Au Kam caught them on the day in question and it was he who persuaded her mother to prosecute the defendant.

Mr. Sin submitted that on the evidence before the Court there was no case for his client to answer, and accordingly his Worship dismissed the case and discharged the defendant.

Government as at present advised is not prepared to accept this recommendation of the committee.

Monetary Values.

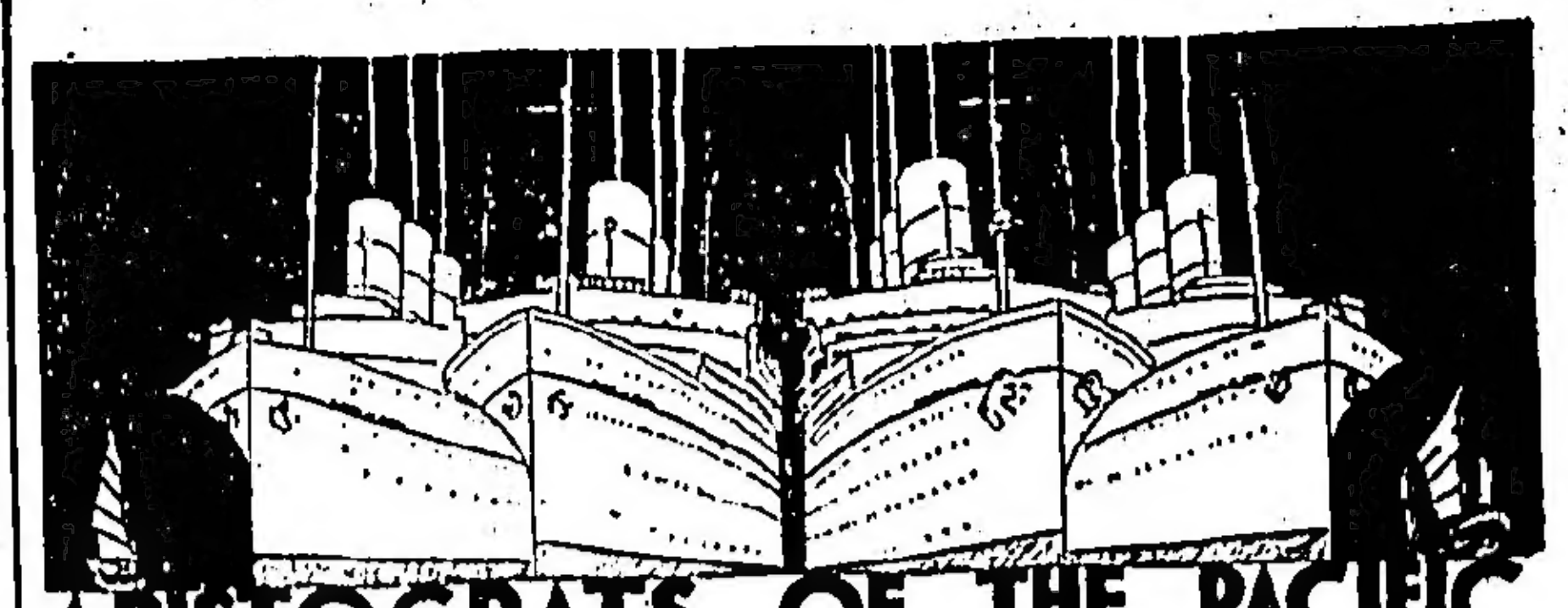
The Government appends an appendix to the Commentary as follows:

Whilst some of the recommendations in the report can readily be reduced to terms of dollars and cents, many, including some of the most important and far reaching, cannot be so expressed. The Commissioners themselves refrain generally from giving monetary values to their proposals. Several of the recommendations are still under consideration, and in a few cases recommendations which had been accepted at the time the Commentary was written, have had to be reconsidered in the light of subsequent developments.

Such figures as it has been found possible to give, on those sections of the Report on which a decision has been reached, are appended below. They must not be taken as a summary of the Report and Commentary.

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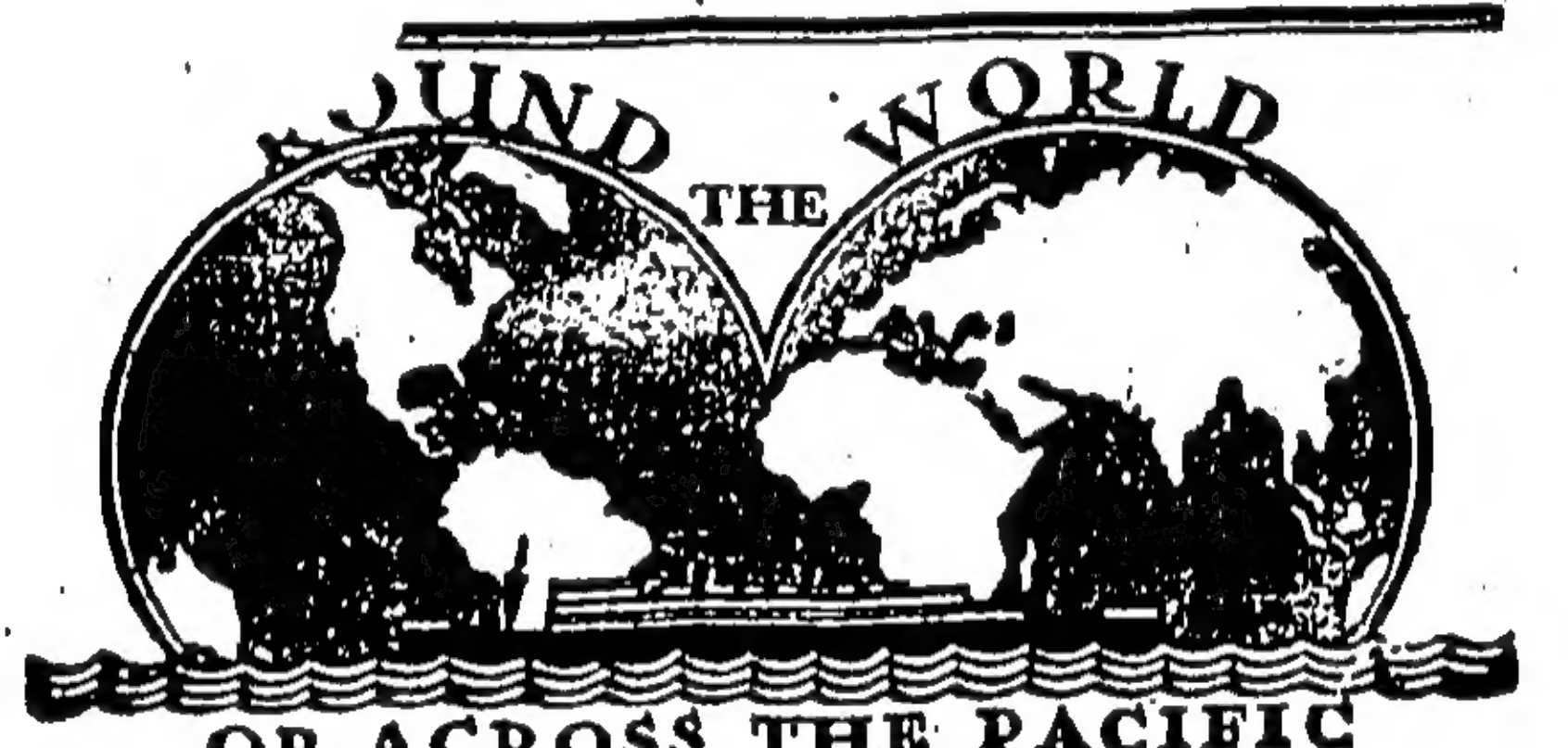
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Is that all you want? You don't want any money from him?—No. All I want is not to go back to him.

His Worship.—I feel that there must be something you haven't told me. If that is all you want, then I need not make any order here. A wife has complete control over her own body. There is nothing to force you to go back to live with him.

Defendant.—What about my baby? Who will take care of him?

His Worship.—I am afraid you will have to be responsible for him. But I am a working man! I can't work and look after the baby at the same time.

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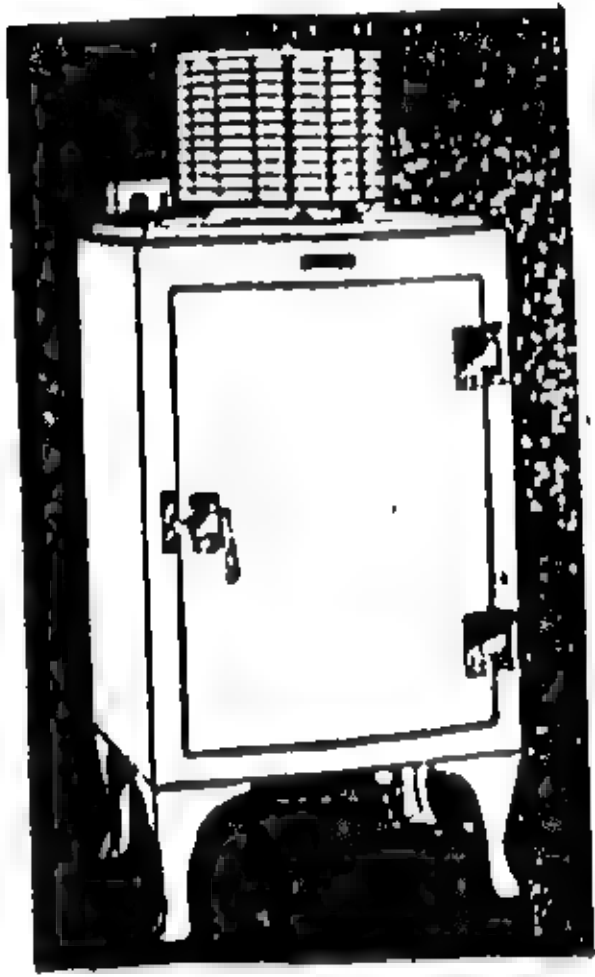
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ANNUAL MEETING DISCUSSES VENUE OF NEXT SHOW.

Deprived of the Theatre Royal, a question which assumes paramount importance in the life of the Hongkong Philharmonic Society in the present year is the provision of an alternative venue for their next production. The question came up for consideration at the annual general meeting of members held at the Cathedral Hall yesterday afternoon, when it was disclosed that negotiations were proceeding with the management of the King's Theatre for the next stage production to be held at this Theatre.

The meeting was held under the chairmanship of the President of the Society, Hon. Mr. W. E. L. Shenton.

Year's Activities.

The Hon. Secretary (Mr. H. J. Best) having read the notice convening the meeting, the Chairman said:—Ladies and Gentlemen:—The Annual Report and Accounts having been in your hands for the past week, I propose with your permission to take them as read.

In my speech last year I congratulated the members of the Society on the fact that the Society had never been in a better way both as regards finance and membership. Regarding the former, you will see from the accounts that a substantial loss was sustained on "Miss Hook of Holland" the result being that on February 29th our bank balance was only \$25.70. I am pleased to say, however, that a satisfactory amount due from sundry debtors has been paid since that date.

As to membership you will see that there has been a gratifying increase in the number of Vice-Presidents, and I should like to thank these gentlemen for their support of the Society. Ordinary members are down by fourteen but still remain well over one hundred.

An Expensive Production.

The failure of "Miss Hook of Holland" was due to a number of circumstances which I hope will not arise again. In the first place the scenery and properties proved unexpectedly expensive, notwithstanding the loan of a considerable amount of the former from the amount of the former from the A.D.C., to whom our best thanks are due. The rise in the dollar after the departure of Great Britain from the Gold Standard and the economy measures necessary to balance the Home Budget, both of which had the effect of reducing salaries in this Colony, were also contributory factors, while the departure from the Society's policy of selling exchange vouchers owing to the difficulty of collecting the money possibly affected the house. On the whole, however, "Miss Hook" was a very good performance, and Mr. Robertson has our sympathy that his first production with the Society was not better supported, and both he and Mr. Gecks deserve our heartfelt thanks for all the hard work they put in.

Theatre Royal Question.

Our thanks must also again be accorded to our advertisers for their support and to the Press for assistance generously given.

Last year I had to make reference to the death of our old friend Mr. A. J. J. Brock, this year another enthusiastic supporter of the Society has been taken from us in Mrs. McLeod. She was always to the forefront giving of her best and by her death the Society sustains a great loss. To Mr. McLeod and her two sons we offer our deepest sympathy.

On Good Friday evening members of the Society assisted Mr. Mason at the Cathedral, the result being a most appropriate rendering of the music sung.

You know, of course, that we shall not be able to use the Theatre Royal again for performances. Negotiations have already been opened regarding performances in another theatre. Whether this will be possible or not will be a matter for the new committee to decide, also the opera to be produced.

With reference to the latter enquiries have been made regarding "Tantivy Towers" which is now released for another performance, and "The Fountain of Youth" both of which were on in London last year, but answers have not yet been received.

I will close by thanking Mr. Best for his hardworking and efficient Secretary, for all the work he has done on our behalf, Mr. Smith who put in much work on our finances, and the members of the Committee for their services.

The Report and Accounts were duly adopted.

New Officers.

The election of officers for the ensuing year resulted as follows:

President.—Hon. Mr. W. E. L. Shenton.

Hon. Secretary.—Mr. H. J. Best.

Hon. Treasurer.—Mr. J. D. Buchanan.

Committee.—Messrs. T. V. Harmon and J. W. Baldwin, Mrs. J. H. Shaw and Mrs. G. W. R. Griggs.

The election of the Hon. Conductor and Hon. Producer was left to the incoming committee.

With regard to the negotiations for producing a play at a venue other than the City Hall, Mr. H. J. Best, in answer to a question, stated that he had inquired from the King's Theatre and found the fee demanded was \$800 a night, caused by having to buy out the picture. This figure, however, was not so formidable as it appeared at first sight, for whereas in the case of the Theatre Royal the rent was only \$120 per night, other items had to be met such as attendants, booking, advertising, etc.

In the case of the King's Theatre all these additional items were included in the \$800. One big point, said Mr. Best, was the question of lighting, which would be supplied by the King's Theatre, and which in the case of the City Hall had cost \$350 on the last occasion a play was produced.

DAYLIGHT RAID.

ARMED ROBBERY IN JERVOIS STREET.

A daring armed robbery was committed yesterday afternoon, when three men entered an imports and exports firm in Jervois Street, and after holding up the master and gagging him, decamped with \$7,000 in money.

According to a report made at the Central Police Station by Ma Fat-lun, the master of the Po Wing Lung Imports and Exports Firm, No. 61, Jervois Street, 2nd Floor, about 12.30 p.m. yesterday, while he was writing letters at the shop counter, he heard a knock at the door, and a man asking for Ah Wu. He opened the door and saw three men standing outside. One of them, dressed in a long coat, addressed him as Ma Sing-hang.

He called them in, and asked them to have some tea. The man dressed in a coat followed him to the accounts office, while one of the others entered the kitchen and the third man went to the verandah. Suddenly the man who followed him produced a revolver and asked him to keep quiet. The other two men then came into the accounts office, and he was bound with a piece of wire, and gagged with a towel.

The robbers took the keys of the safe from his person, and stole \$7,000 in Hongkong money. They left about twenty minutes later. A friend of his, who was staying with him, returned ten minutes afterwards and released him.

Shanghai, Apr. 6.

A slight earthquake, lasting several seconds, was felt at Hankow and Nanking this evening.—Reuter.

Another important consideration was that whereas in the case of the Theatre Royal only 500 people could be accommodated, a number of whom were inconvenienced by intervening pillars, the King's Theatre could afford an unobstructed view for 1,200 persons. Again, this bigger accommodation would enable them to put on fewer shows, thereby reducing overhead and incidental expenses, such as paying for professional orchestral service and refreshments. The drawback about the King's Theatre was the question of rehearsal and the necessity of getting started at 9.30 after the cinema performance ended at 9 p.m. The prices, it was indicated, would still be \$3, \$2 and \$1.

A suggestion was put forward, and approved, to the effect that if negotiations for a stage broke down, it might be possible to organise a concert affording plenty of scope for choral work to members of the society.

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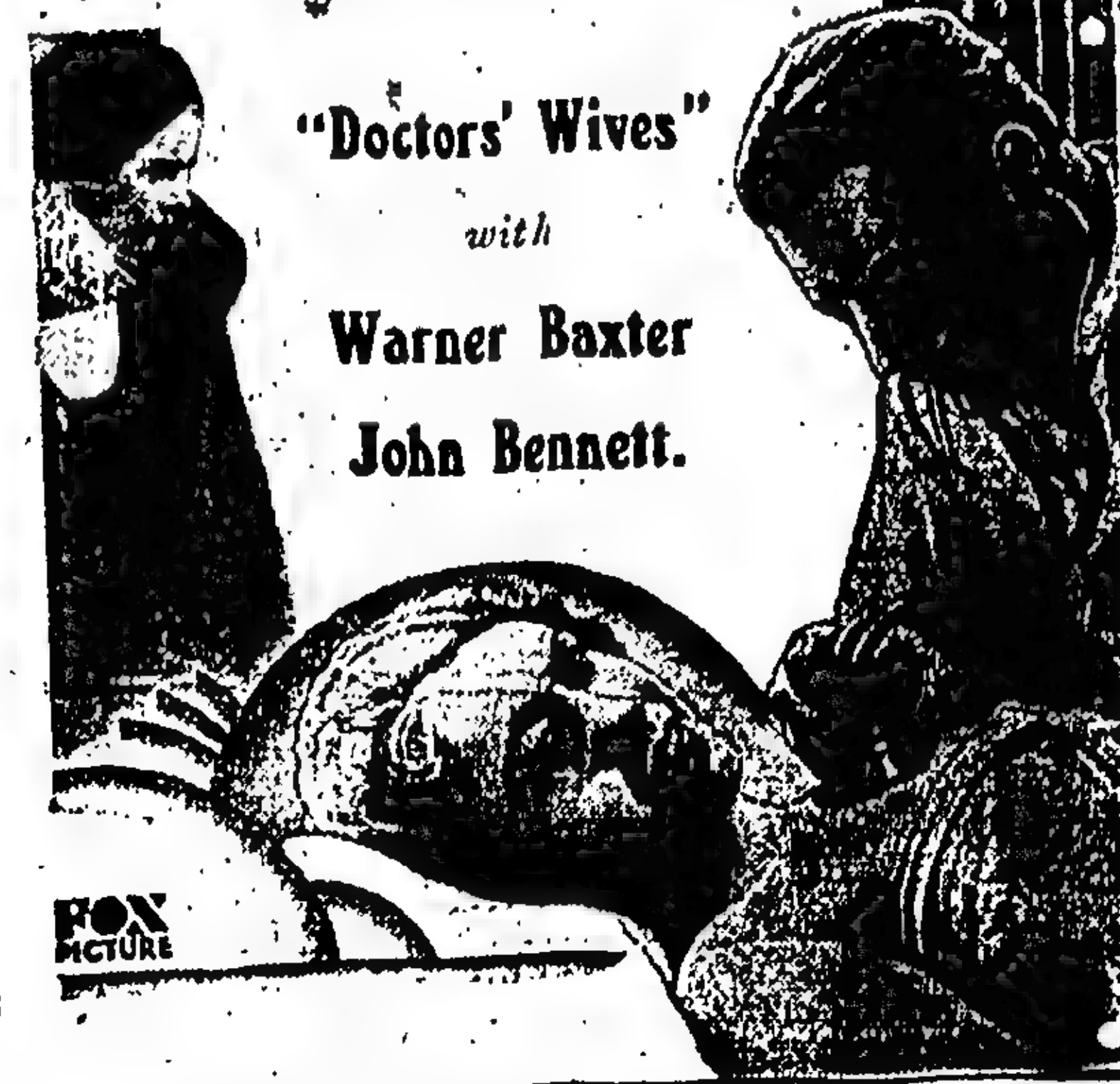
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TENSION EASES.

ARMY ACTIVITY IN SHANGHAI. PACT HOPES.

(Our Own Correspondent).

Shanghai, Apr. 7.
Owing to heavy troop movements behind both the Chinese and Japanese lines—together with clashes at one or two points—a tense situation prevails on the Shanghai front.

Confidence is felt, however, that the rival forces will be kept in control as the prospects of an armistice agreement are held to be much brighter.

It is known that appreciable progress was made at yesterday's conference of the Military Sub-Committee which discussed the question of the localities to be used by the Japanese troops upon their withdrawal from the present positions.

INSPECTIONS TO-DAY.

As a result of the decisions reached, it has been arranged that this afternoon an inspection will be made of a corner of Chapoi, east of the Wanyang River, a tributary to the Soochow Creek and around Hongkew Park.

Another examination will be made of Yin-hsiang-kiang, to the east of the Yangtze River.

In the Kiangwan area, a site near Kianwan Village, around the International Recreation Club, will be investigated for the purpose of bivouacking troops.

The last and most controversial locality selected by the Japanese is around Woosung Village, including Changwan-pang and Wentsung-pang.

The discussions yesterday lasted for over three hours and nothing definite was settled. The localities were fixed pending a personal inspection and the Chinese delegates made it quite clear that the decisions on the localities would be effective only after a time for the complete withdrawal of the Japanese forces has been definitely set.

MAIN CONFERENCE.

The twelfth session of the main conference met at ten o'clock this morning, discussing the fresh instructions which both have received from their governments.

There is no meeting of the military committee to-day due to the inspection of the localities.

I learn that the Japanese were firm yesterday in their demand that Woosung Village be included in the specified localities. This met with strong opposition from the Chinese delegates as the area demanded was too extensive.

DEMANDS NARROWED.

After a very lengthy discussion, the Japanese narrowed their demands agreeing to accept a smaller district.

According to a reliable source, the Chinese delegates are anxious to keep the Japanese troops east of the railway line in order to effect a speedy resumption of traffic after the withdrawal of the Japanese troops from their present positions.

CHINA TO COMPROMISE?

London, Apr. 6.
It was authoritatively stated in London to-day that the Sino-Japanese negotiations are progressing favourably and that an agreement is imminent.

Reports from Shanghai pay warm tributes to the efforts of the foreign observers to obtain a pacific settlement, especially to Sir Miles Lampson, the British Minister, whose efforts have been unremitting.

It is believed that although a date has been mentioned for the withdrawal of the Japanese troops, it will probably not be included in the settlement.—Reuter.



Two of the latest photographs of Charles Lindbergh, Junr., who has now been in kidnappers' hands for more than five weeks.

LINDBERGH QUEST.

CONTACT WITH KIDNAPPERS.

SUCCESS HELD IN SIGHT.

Norfolk, Apr. 6.

Mr. Curtis, the well-known boat-builder, has announced that he been in contact with the kidnappers of the Lindbergh baby, who was stolen from his cot on March 1.

He has been informed, he says, that the baby is quite well. Mr. Curtis, who has been assisting Colonel Lindbergh in the search for the child, has been absent from Norfolk since on a mysterious mission.

He returned only this morning and said he saw Lindbergh personally, but was not free to say where.—Reuter.

FILM STUNT IN REAL LIFE.

BUSTER KEATON'S LOVE-MAKING.

(Reuter's Special Service).

New York, Apr. 6.

Buster Keaton's method of love-making in the "Sidewalks of New York," is humorously recalled by a story from Beverly Hills, California, indicating that the famous comedian effected a reconciliation with his wife, formerly Natalie Talmadge, by means of gramophone records.

Keaton first sent her a record entitled:

"You've Got Me Between the Devil and the Deep Blue Sea."

Nothing happened.

He then tried: "All of You," without result.

He then sent, "Can't We Talk It Over?" and this brought his wife home.

BRITISH BUDGET "SECRET."

TEA PREFERENCE DUTY.

London, Apr. 7.

That a preferential tea duty is expected in Mr. Neville Chamberlain's impending Budget is indicated by the fact that the Indian and Ceylon Tea Associations have cancelled tea sales in Mincing Lane during Budget Week.

The Budget is to be submitted to the House of Commons on April 18.—Reuter.

WAR PREPARATION IN THE BAIKAL AREA.

CONTROL OF THE CHINESE EASTERN BELIEVED TO BE ISSUE.

A SERIOUS DEVELOPMENT.

(SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH").

PEKING, April 7.

FOREIGN REPORTS FROM HARBIN STATE THAT THE SOVIET GOVERNMENT HAS ORDERED THE MOBILISATION OF THE RED ARMY IN THE TRANS-BAIKAL AREA, WHICH IS THE REGION BETWEEN LAKE BAIKAL AND THE MANCHURIAN BORDER.

The Red Army in this area is under the command of General Vassily Blucher who, under the name of General Galens, was at one time Chiang Kai-shek's adviser.

The reason for the mobilisation order, which may have serious consequences, is not definitely known, but it is thought that there is some connexion with the war move and an extraordinary meeting of the Board of the Chinese Eastern Railway, which is to be held to-morrow and which will discuss the export of C.E.R. rolling stock and supplies to Russia.

THREAT TO C.E.R. CONTROL.

It is believed that the Chinese chairman of the Board of the C.E.R. has been instructed by the Manchukuo Government to demand the immediate return of the Railway stock.

Meanwhile, Chinese circles in Harbin, as well as the Soviet Government, are reported to be exceedingly apprehensive over the reported request of the Manchukuo Government to the South Manchurian Railway for rolling-stock to carry on the C.E.R.

It is feared that this move would most likely lead to the absorption of the C.E.R. by Japan.

JAPAN'S GRIP ON MANCHURIA.

"SHOULD NOT BE CHALLENGED."

Paris, Apr. 6.

A series of vexatious coincidences is Mr. Yoshizawa's explanation of the causes of Japan's activities on Chinese soil, in the course of a special interview which he gave to the *Petit Parisien's* special correspondent in Tokyo.

Mr. Yoshizawa also made a concise statement of Japan's attitude towards the new Manchurian State, declaring at the outset, according to the correspondent, that the story of Japan's deciding to quit the League of Nations was a fabrication.

Recognition Conditions.

Mr. Yoshizawa said there was no question yet of recognising the new Manchurian State. Everything would depend upon circumstances and proofs of wisdom and the steadfastness shown by the new State.

Mr. Yoshizawa went on to say that Manchuria was an entirely new independent State, formed on the principle of self-determination. As long as it respected existing Treaties, Japan was resolved to support and help it in every way.

"What We Have."

He pointed out that cash advances to the Manchukuo Government would not be made by the Japanese Government but by the Mitsui and Mitsubishi Banks. Quite evidently, Japan's relations

SOVIET LOOKING TO FAR EAST.

Improving Railway Efficiency.

Riga, Apr. 6.

Immediate measures are being taken by the Soviet to increase the efficiency of the Soviet Railways in Siberia and the Far East.

The establishment of special Administration Headquarters at Irkutsk to exploit, and, if necessary, increase the capacity of the railway will be the first move.

M. Kishkin, the Deputy Commissar of Transport, has been appointed Chief Administrator.—Reuter.

with Manchuria were destined to become closer still. Japan would abandon neither her enormous interests nor her nationals in Manchuria. She meant to keep the fruits of her sacrifices of blood, energy and money.

The feeling of the Japanese people on this point was unanimous and should not be challenged.

The Shanghai incident was most unfortunate. They had not contemplated making conquests on Chinese soil, but they were driven to act as they did by a series of vexatious coincidences.—Reuter.

CHINA PROTESTS TO LEAGUE.

THE BOMBING OF ANTING.

Geneva, Apr. 6.
The Chinese delegation in the League City is displaying renewed activity, three Notes having been despatched by Dr. W. W. Yen to Sir Eric Drummond to-day.

One of the Notes embodies a telegram from various public bodies in Chahar Province protesting against the Japanese proceedings in the Three Eastern Provinces, establishing an "illegal government" thus preparing the way for future annexation.

The protest requests the League of Nations to do justice to China, to restore China's sovereign rights and to uphold the sanctity of the League Covenant and the international instruments of peace.

ANTING BOMBING.

The two other Notes deal with the bombing of Anting by Japanese planes and declare that Japanese troops have destroyed public property and seized merchandise at Hwangtu, where the Japanese troops are stated to have been increased by four thousand recently.

The Notes also refer to the Mayor of Greater Shanghai's report on April 4 that the Japanese

PEKING TOMB THEFT.

PRICELESS PEARLS STOLEN.

PRINCESS'S GRAVE.

(Special to "Telegraph")

Peking, Apr. 7.

An outrage by robbers in the Peking area has just been disclosed, namely, the rifling of the tomb of Pu Yi's mother, the Princess Tsai Li.

The tomb is situated in the western suburbs of Peking and it was systematically looted, priceless pearls and other jewelry being stolen.

The Princess was the wife of the Regent before the fall of the Manchu Dynasty. She committed suicide in the last year of the Manchu regime by swallowing a gold ring.

The police have arrested two suspects in connexion with the outrage.—Reuter.

KREUGER & TOLL JUGGLERY.

DEPRESSION ON N.Y. STOCK EXCHANGE.

New York, Apr. 6.

The revelations by Messrs. Price, Waterhouse and Company regarding the irregularities in the accounts of Kreuger and Toll, resulted in heavy trading to-day in the issues of that company.

Kreuger and Toll shares fell to one and a half and International Match stock to two.

Stocks generally were one to three points lower. The day's turnover was two million shares, the largest for several weeks.—Reuter.

DOLLAR AGAIN DROPS.

WEAKER SILVER PRICES.

In sympathy with a decline in silver prices, the Hongkong dollar dropped 1/8th this morning to 1s. 2 1/2d. The local market is still on the easy side, with little business passing.

Silver dropped a farthing in London, both spot and forward.

China and India were small sellers, and there was poor support. After the official fixing, the market ruled quietly steady, chiefly due to absence of offerings.

In New York, silver declined a quarter, but the market is steady. The cross-rate has improved to 3.80%.

STOP PRESS.

London, Apr. 7.

The Government has decided neither to adopt nor to give facilities to Sir William Davidson's Bill legalising sweepstakes, which was introduced in the House of Commons on March 22nd.—Reuter.

St. John's, Apr. 7.

The Premier, Sir Richard Squires, has returned to his office from his hiding-place. Things are now quietening down, though a mob of several hundred battered down the door of the main liquor depot of the town, but were ejected. There are now 600 war veterans on duty.—Reuter.

PREMIER IN HIDING.

BADLY MAULED BY MOB.

NEWFOUNDLAND UPROAR.

WAR "VETS." AID POLICE.

St. John's, Apr. 6.

Bands of ex-Service men patrolling the streets in co-operation with the full strength of the police kept order in the city to-day, though tension still runs high.

The grave riots of last night are said to have been precipitated by the mishandling of the mounted police, who were ordered to charge, using them batons indiscriminately.

The crowd grew more and more incensed and were completely out of hand until darkness came to provide a breathing-space.

CLERGY TO RESCUE.

The escape of Sir Richard Squires from the angry mob was sensational. He was seen and attacked when trying to escape from the House of Assembly, and was knocked down and badly mauled.

Four clergymen appeared guided him to a nearby house and prevented the angry crowd from entering his place of refuge.

The mob remained outside howling for three hours before beginning to realise that the Prime Minister had made his escape by the rear exit.

RETREAT OF CABINET.

Meanwhile other members of the Government had disappeared, or they too would have experienced trouble.

The mob was in an ugly mood, but war veterans rallied to support the police and prevented an invasion of the liquor depot.

The Government has not resigned. The report to this effect was due to the fact that the Finance Minister, who tendered his own resignation some time back, asked the Governor to demand Squires' resignation in order to induce the crowds to disperse.

It is expected that a National Government will eventually be formed to clear up the situation. It will probably be headed by Mr. Allardice, the Leader of the Opposition.

LADY SQUIRES HURT.

Sir Richard Squires has not yet resigned, however. He is still in hiding.

Lady Squires was injured in the face by missiles thrown by the mob outside Parliament Building.—Reuter.

THE STIFFKEY TRIAL.

RECTOR SHORT OF FUNDS.

(Reuter's Special Service).

London, Apr. 6.

Consternation was caused at Church House, Westminster, to-day, when counsel for the Rector of Stiffkey, Norfolk, the Rev. Davidson, announced that the small fund available for the defence before the Consistory Court had been exhausted and that therefore the solicitors would have to withdraw.

The only alternative will be that the Rector will have to defend himself, which he is willing to do. Later, the prosecution offered for the time being to place £250 at the disposal of the defence and to consider a further advance necessary when that sum was exhausted.—Reuter.

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thrill in contract bridge is the bid-
ding and making a grand slam.
Slam bidding fascinates the play-
er who is first introduced to con-
tract and only too often to his
sorrow. Games and rubbers are
repeatedly sacrificed on the altar of
slam bidding.

Many systems have been de-
vised for slam bidding. The ac-
knowledging system was in vogue for
quite some time but lately it has
been losing some of its popularity.
Our readers, however, should be-
come thoroughly familiar with
acknowledging so that when it is
used against them, they will not be
completely confused.

While the system is generally
termed "acknowledging," it could be
better termed "showing no losers"
as under this system void suits
are bid as well as aces. The ac-
knowledging system is a convention
which provides that as soon as
both partners have agreed on the
same declaration, all subsequent
bids in other suits are made only
to show that you can win the first
round of that suit—either with
the ace or by ruffing.

The fact that you and your part-
ner have agreed on the same suit
does not necessarily mean that
you must start in and show aces
and void suits. It is only when
you believe there is a good chance
for a slam that acknowledging is
used. Acknowledging should not be
used until either you or your part-
ner has made a demand bid. If
your partner makes an original
forcing suit bid and you support
his declaration, a shift now to an-
other suit denotes that the first
trick in that suit can be taken and
that the hand contains values
which point to slam possibilities.

When showing aces, the lowest
ranking ace must be shown first:
e. g., South bids two spades, West
passes and you, sitting in the
North position, raise partner to
three spades. If your partner were
now to bid four diamonds, he
would say that the first diamond
trick can be won by him—either
with the ace or he was void of di-
amonds—and that the hand had the
appearance of a possible slam.
He would also inform you imme-
diately that he did not have con-
trol of the club suit because if he
held no clubs or the ace of clubs,
his shift would have been to four
clubs rather than to four di-
amonds, therefore unless you con-
trol the clubs, you immediately
know that there can be no slam
made unless, of course, partner
happens to hold a singleton club
or the king and one and clubs are
open.

Showing of void suits is also
done when the opponents enter the
contracting. Supposing partner
bid two spades, West bid three di-
amonds, and you bid four diamonds.
You inform partner of three im-
portant factors regarding your
hand:

1. You tell him that you have
no losers in the opponents' suit.
2. You have normal support for
his suit.
3. There are strong slam pos-
sibilities to your hand, and you
request him to start and show
aces.

With two-suit hands, it is nec-
essary in making the shift demand
one more than necessary to in-
form partner that you are not
showing aces; e. g., South opens
with two hearts which is a forcing
bid, you, sitting in the North po-
sition, respond with three hearts.
Ordinarily now, if partner shifts
to another suit and the ac-
know-

AMATEUR DRAMATICS.

ENTERTAINING EVENING BY
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In past years the St. Andrew's
Club has set a high standard in its
periodical amateur dramatic
efforts, and that standard has not
been lowered as a result of this
year's productions, which were
played at the Church Hall last
night. Selecting three short plays
of which comedy was the keynote
and which proved well within their
capabilities, the Club scored an
impressive success and kept the
large crowd well entertained.

"Wurzel-Flummery," the main
attraction, was a typical A. A.
Milne two-act comedy rippling
with witty dialogue and brimful of
clever and humorous situations.
The action began right from the
start when Sidney Edgar and N. V.
Halward, playing two friendly but
rival politicians, were burdened
with \$50,000 and the title name,
and joggled along merrily to a satis-
factory curtain.

S. A. Sweet, a popular performer
on concert platforms and amateur
dramatic stages, added greatly to
the fun in the part of Denis Clif-
ton, and Winifred Robinson and
Maud White, as the politician's
daughters were suitably cast. Re-
ginauld Woolley made the most of
a small part.

The other two offerings were
short sketches by Ronald Jeans on
more farcical lines, which kept the
audience in continuous merriment.
Rupert Baldwin, Bessie Hirst, Pat
White and Irene Gittins were the
fun-makers of "The Old Lady
Shows Her Muddles" and Dick
Wong, John Baldwin and Reginauld
Woolley played "Not Lost" to good
effect.

Variety was added to the evening
by several musical items and a
selection of gramophone records
during the interval. Miss F. Wal-
ker pleased with a bracket of popu-
lar songs, and Ronnie True, as
usual, kept the audience entertain-
ed with his inimitable pianoforte.

MOSCOW TRIAL ENDS.

TWO ACCUSED SENTENCED
TO DEATH.

Moscow, Apr. 6.
Judas Stern and Vasiliev, on
trial here, have been condemned
to death for wounding M. Twar-
dowski, of the German Embassy.
—Reuter.

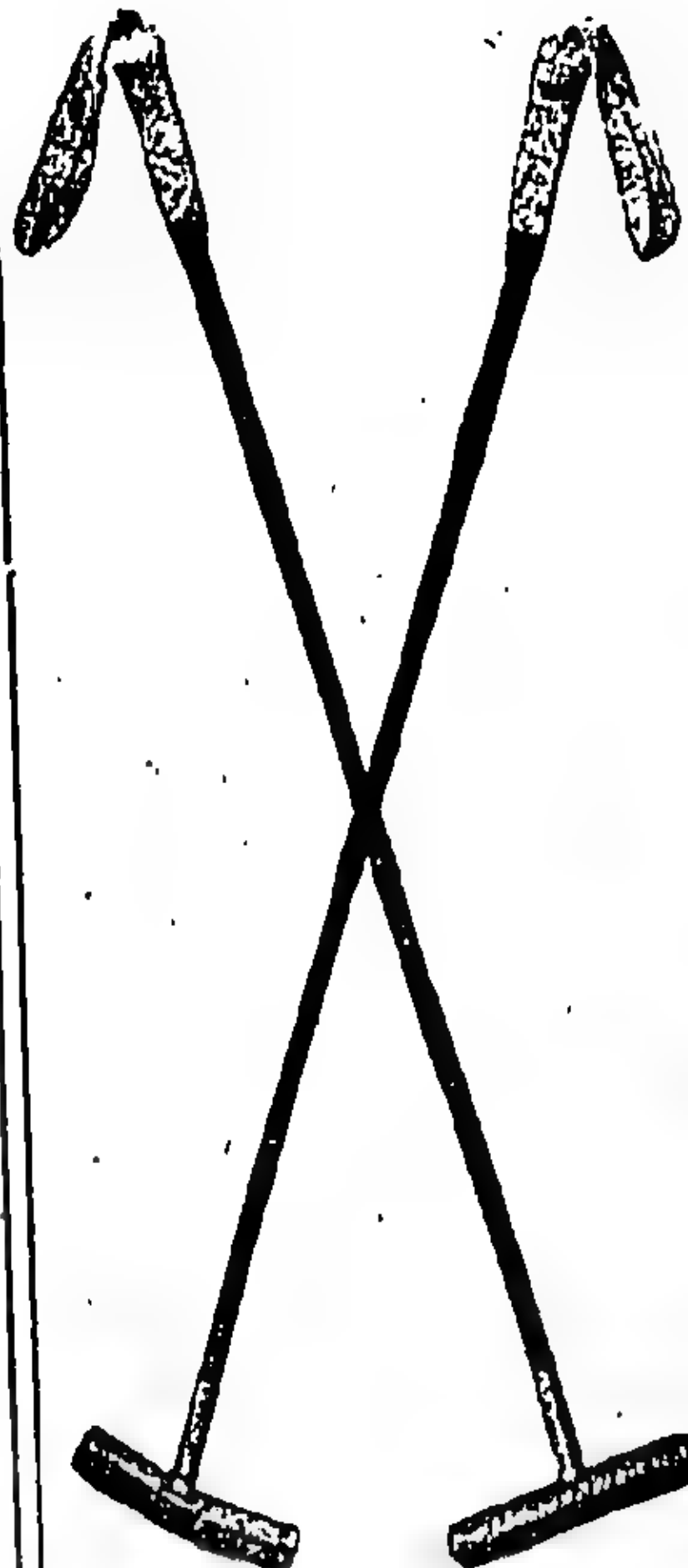
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"My brother was always hostile
to the Soviet," declared Karasina
Stern, in giving evidence against
Judas Stern, on trial for his life.
Stern pleaded guilty before the
Supreme Court to a "terroristic
act" in attempting to kill M.
Twardowski, the Counsellor of the
German Embassy.

ing system is being used, he would
say that he could win the first
trick of that suit. But supposing
he also holds a good biddable
spade suit.

South now bids four spades. If
he were to bid three spades, this
would be acknowledging, but as he
has bid one more than necessary,
he informs partner that he has a
two-suit hand and is desirous of
proceeding with the second suit before
proceeding with acknowledging. This
bidding, of course, is a little dan-
gerous and puzzling and must not
be used unless you are prepared to
play the contract at a slam de-
claration.

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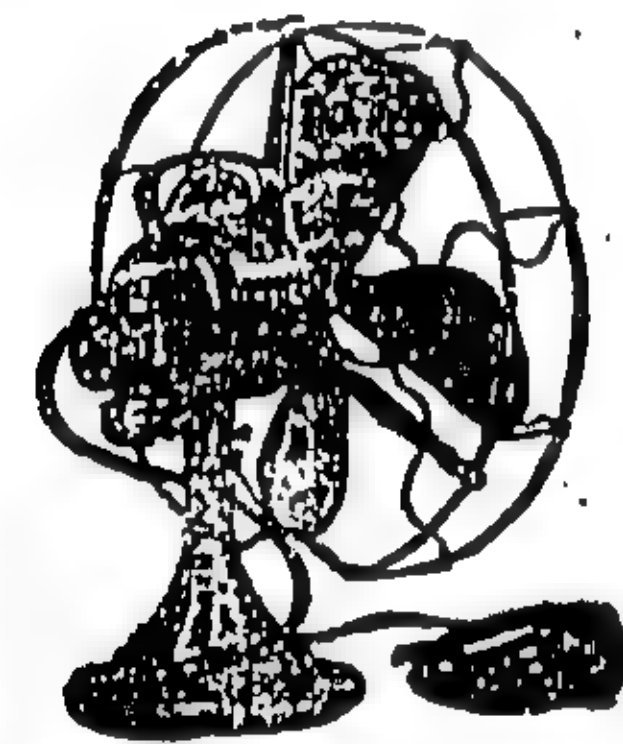


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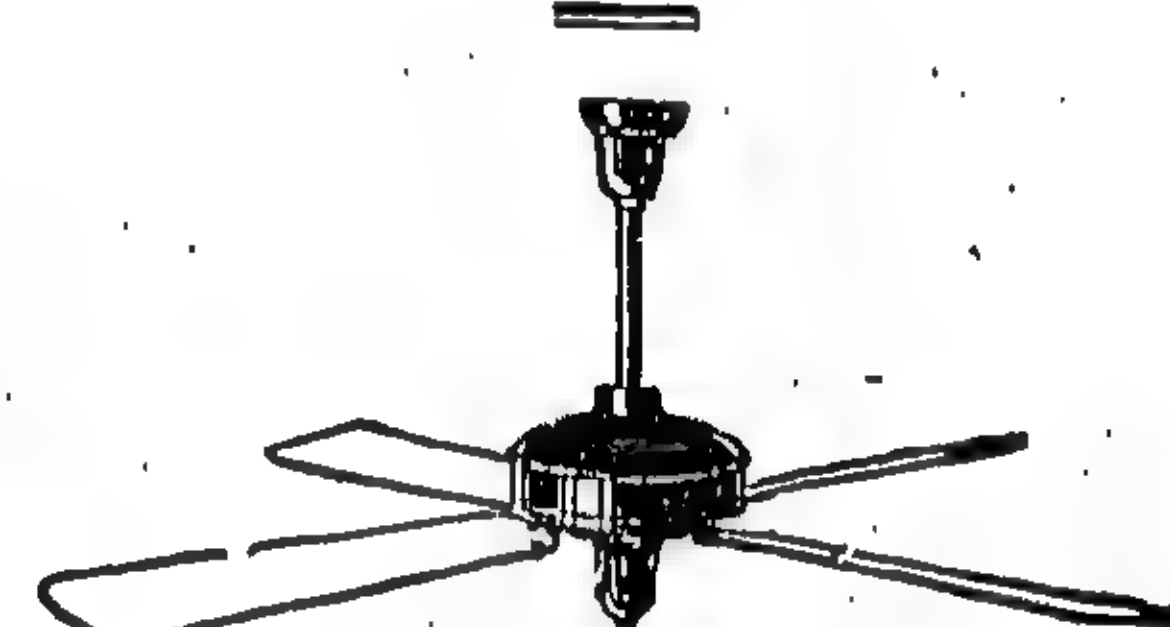
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RECCANIZE DEMSELVES IN
A GLASS—



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DARNED IF I CAN
SEE WHAT TH' DICKENS YOU GUYS
FIGHT FOR—



OH, IT ALL DEPENDS, SAM—MAYBE IT'S TWENTY
BUCKS, ER FIFTY, AN' IF WE GETS INTA DE
SEMMY—FINAL, IT MAY BE A HUNDERD!



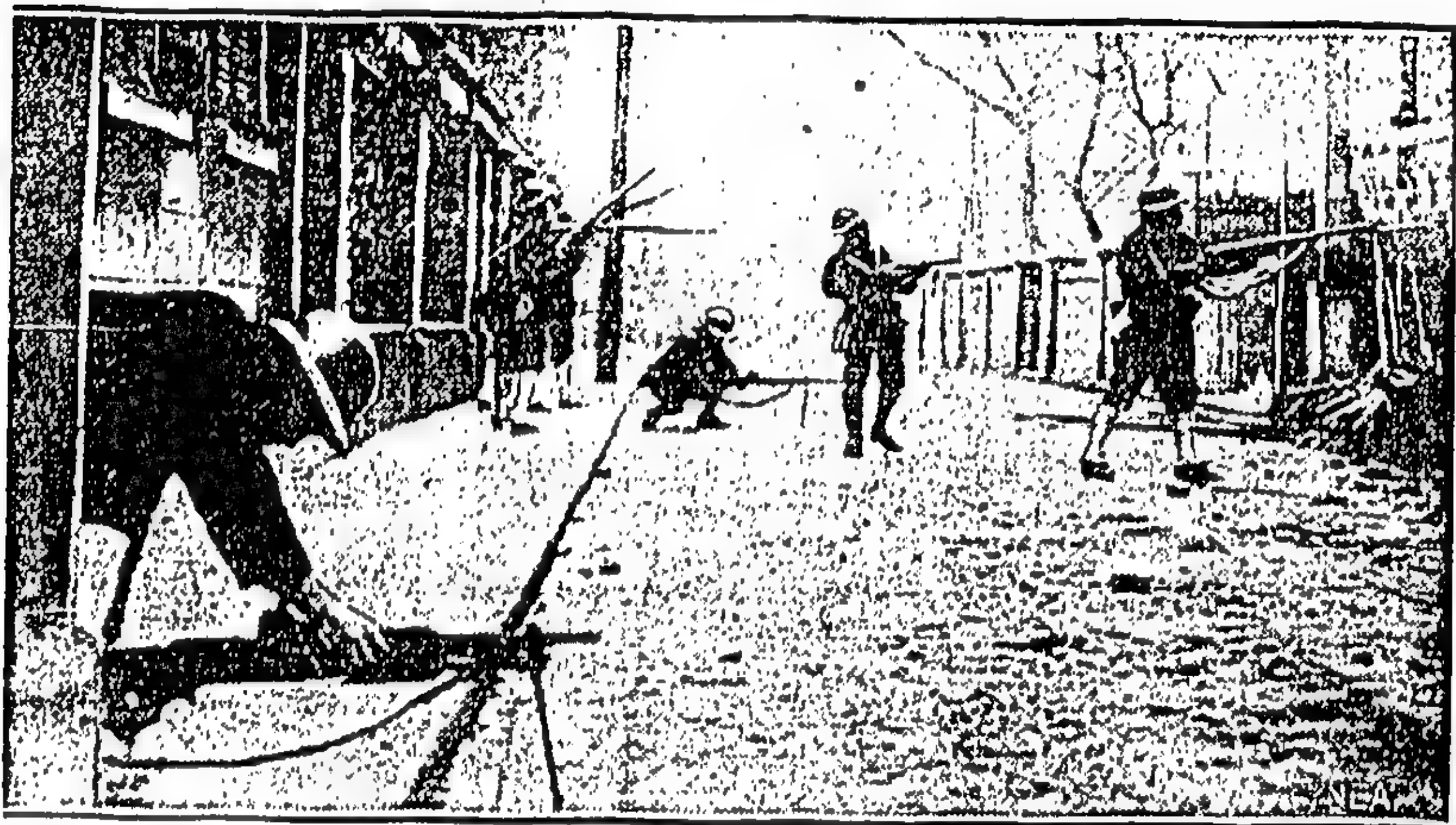
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With the Soviet government reported to be massing troops near the Manchurian border, soldiers like those pictured here may see service in the Far East. The Soviet war office, however, has denied recent Japanese dispatches estimating the number of soldiers in Vladivostok as high as 15,000.

10 dime-a-dance girl

CHAPTER I

A milk wagon rattling along Pine street brought Ellen Rossiter wide awake. The Rossiter apartment was five floors above the street, but Ellen thought irritably even in the moment of waking that the clanking below was sufficient to wake the dead.

It was going to be another searching day. The girl's face, rosy from sleep, was faintly damp and her thick tawny hair was live and beautiful with heat curls. She was conscious only of discomfort as she thrust it back and rolled over hastily to look at the clock.

Only 20 minutes to seven. Twenty blessed minutes more. Ellen stretched luxuriously, assured herself that the alarm was set for seven, and snuggled down again. As she was closing her eyes she noticed that the adjoining bed was empty. Myra had already risen and slipped quietly from the room. Ellen had sleepily decided that her sister intended to bathe before leaving for the library when she heard from the kitchen Myra's voice raised high in expostulation. Something was wrong again. Ellen did not know quite what, but that particular note in Myra's voice always meant trouble.

And trouble in the Rossiter household meant inevitably a difference of opinion between Myra Rossiter and Molly Rossiter.

Ellen sighed, tossed back the sheet and in one leap was out of bed. She grabbed a green cotton crepe negligee and stroked for the bathroom. The door was locked. Michael, aged 12, was inside. The one male of the family, the adored and spoiled little brother, he had special prerogatives and was not timid in enforcing them.

"I'm studying," he called out. "In the bathroom!" He added plaintively, "I'll get out if you want me to. Only it's so cool in here and I'm always being interrupted no matter where—"

"All right, darling. Stay where you are for 10 minutes. But after that I'll have to rout you."

Ellen Rossiter was three days past 20 on that morning in late July—three days past 20 and already beginning to be afraid that the wild and careless dreams of her teens would not be fulfilled in her twenties. It was money, of course. The Rossiters had more than their share of good looks, from Molly Rossiter, who had once been Molly O'Reilly, the prettiest girl in the whole of County Cork, to baby Mike, but they had nothing else.

The three children—Myra, the eldest, and Ellen and Mike—had from their father their thick copper hair and wild, thick-lashed eyes, and from their mother their creamy skin. The peculiar, arrest-

ing way they walked and stood, the nervous movements of their hands, the confident, arrogant ease with which they faced the world—all those were Rossiter ways, as Molly, who was a Rossiter by marriage, said so often. The unconscious air of distinction that was shared by all of them was from their father, too. It was Charles Michael Rossiter, who had given them an unmistakable look of race. There was no denying that the young Rossiters were unlike the young Blacks downstairs, or the young Jordans in the basement, or the Shannibergers who sprawled through the two floors above. They were different and suspect. Ellen had often reflected bitterly, as people always are who have a past and no future.

But Molly Rossiter, an incurable optimist, had never once admitted the secret fears of her two daughters. Even when she had her crying spells, she always insisted hysterically that her children were better looking than any of the English Rossiters, better qualified to meet in that mysterious world where doors had been shut to them abruptly when Charles Rossiter, unable to forget green English fields and misty country English mornings even in the love of his wife and children, had closed his eyes and died of a common cold.

There once had been money. Myra at 26 could remember surroundings quite different from the down-at-heel Brooklyn apartment, could, with a pang in her heart, remember the glorious years before her father's death, the soft-spoken servants, the gleam of candle-light on old silver (sold long since), and rugs so deep that all sound of footsteps were lost in them.

Charles Rossiter had met Molly O'Reilly on a trip to Ireland. He had married her before his father and mother and many brothers and sisters could rush in to point out the impossibility of marriage between the fourth son of Lord Harmsstead and a tenant farmer's daughter.

They had never forgiven him that.

They were, as anyone except Molly Rossiter would admit, scrupulously fair. Charles' share of the Harmsstead estate had been settled upon him at once. The condition was that he leave England. His father and mother had refused to meet his bride. And Charles Rossiter, stiff-necked, with pride, had been glad enough then to leave England. He had come to America and had never gone back. He had often longed for England but no one of his brothers or sisters had ever learned that. No one of them had shown the slightest interest in what he might have been thinking during those long years of exile. No

one of them except his youngest sister, Myra, for whom his eldest daughter was named, had shown in the years following his death any recognition of the fact that he had left a family. His sister Myra, perhaps held back by the pressure of her brothers and sisters, had never seen any member of his small family but she did from time to time send boxes of clothing, discarded by her own daughters.

On that August morning Charles Rossiter had been dead 12 years. His death too, place three days before his only son was born. He could never have foreseen that his two beautiful daughters would be forced to work, the one at an underpaid job in a public library, the other as an underpaid salesgirl in a great department store. He had left a sufficient sum to bring up his children in comfort, to educate them, and to provide for the lifetime of his young wife.

But Molly Rossiter, dazed with grief, had seen that money slip from her irresponsible hands within two years.

Ellen could remember only as of something dreamed those days when money was not a daily problem, a daily topic of conversation. She had gone to work at Barclay's department store when she was 14. She was still there.

As she walked to the kitchen she wondered a little hopelessly if she would always be there.

When she entered the small, heated room where the blue-checked linoleum had long since retreated into the corners, her mother turned from the stove. Molly's pretty, fading face was flushed and set in lines of determination. Ellen sighed again. She was afraid that her mother had hit upon another disastrous scheme which would make them all rich.

Myra was seated at a chipped porcelain table, her chin resting upon her elbows, the morning news paper spread out before her. Her head, with its smooth braids of hair, lighter and less warmly coloured than Ellen's, was bent over the society columns. But her mouth was set and mutinous and it was plain she did not really see the printed words. Her eyes were full of angry tears.

"Myra and I have about decided—"

Molly Rossiter began firmly. Myra looked up quickly at that. "We haven't decided anything, mother," she interrupted in her long-suffering voice. "You only suggested—"

Both of them looked toward Ellen. Ellen crossed to the stove, relieved her mother of the eggs and began to beat with furious energy so that the yellow foam leaped up the blue sides of the bowl. Molly had been ready to pour them into the skillet.

Ellen was the one natural cook of the household. Molly's cooking was always overdone or underdone and invariably too highly seasoned. Myra, perhaps in compensation for her mother's lavish hand, never seasoned enough. Whatever

she sent to the table came with the slightly inhuman taste common to second-rate hotels.

In the strained silence Ellen added to the omelette a few grains of pepper, a great deal of salt and a dash of paprika for the looks of the thing. She waited to the window to take parsley, chopped the night before, from a boxlike contrivance suspended outside and serving as a refrigerator.

"Now what is it?" she asked the combatants, as she sprayed in the crisp green sprigs of parsley and poured the golden fluid into the hot skillet.

Molly and Myra Rossiter spoke simultaneously.

"Mother spent half the rent money yesterday buying things for Mike that he doesn't need," Myra said. "And now she had an idea for you. You're to make up the money working evenings."

"The things were on sale," Molly explained eagerly. "Two pair of pants for what I usually have to pay for just one. I saved so much on them that I thought I could splurge a little. So I bought him some books he's been wanting for ever so long and a new cap and some underwear." She added defensively, "You wouldn't want Mike to go shabby, would you?"

Ellen tested the omelette and lowered the flame beneath it. She turned off two flames which had been burning needlessly before she spoke.

"No, I wouldn't," she said patiently. "But how are we going to pay the rent? Tomorrow is Saturday but we already owe the grocer nearly all my salary. And Myra's isn't due for 10 days yet."

She did not suggest that the suit which Mike had not really needed would deprive her of a business dress which she did need.

"That's just it," Molly crowed, seizing her chance. "I have a marvellous idea for you. There's an ad in the morning paper from a dance place named Dreamland. It's a pretty name, isn't it? They want girls for dancing instructors. Look—here it is. I marked it for you." Ellen looked.

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GLORIA SWANSON.
GIVES BIRTH TO DAUGHTER IN LONDON.

London, Apr. 6.
The film star Gloria Swanson, who is thirty-three years of age, has given birth to a daughter at Mayfair, London.

She has a ten-year-old daughter already, and an adopted son. She married an Irishman, a Mr. Farmer, last year, he being her fourth husband.—Reuter.



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The Hong Kong General Cham-
 ber of Commerce invites all
 Import Merchants in the Colony
 including non-members of the
 Chamber—to attend a meeting to
 be held in the offices of the Cham-
 ber, Chartered Bank Building, on:
 THURSDAY, 14th APRIL, 1932, at
 4.15 p.m. to consider matters of
 general importance to trade,
 arising out of certain demands
 which have been made by the
 Chinese Piece Goods Guild and
 other Guilds.

By Order.

M. F. KEY.

Hong Kong, 6th April, 1932.

WM. POWELL LIMITED.

Notice is hereby given that the
 Thirty-first Ordinary General
 Meeting of Shareholders will be
 held in the offices of Messrs.
 Percy Smith, Seth & Fleming, 6,
 Des Voeux Road Central, Hong-
 kong, on Thursday, the 21st April,
 1932, at 11.30 a.m. for the purpose
 of receiving the Report of the
 Board of Directors and a State-
 ment of Accounts for the year
 ended 29th February, 1932, and
 electing Directors and Auditors.
 The Transfer Books of the Com-
 pany will be closed from 12th
 April to 21st April, both days
 inclusive.

By order of the Board.

W. L. ALEXANDER.

Hong Kong, 5th April, 1932.

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THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB.

The THIRD EXTRA RACE MEET-
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 mitting) at Happy Valley on Satur-
 day, 9th April, 1932, commencing at
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 The first bell will be rung at
 1.15 p.m.

MEMBERS' ENCLOSURE.

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Badges admitting to Members' Enclosure will NOT be on sale at the Race Course.

On No Protest will Children be
 permitted in either Enclosure dur-
 ing the Meeting.
 Tickets are obtainable at the Club
 House provided they are ordered
 from the No. 1 Box in advance.
 Telephone 21920.

PUBLIC ENCLOSURE.

The Price of Admission to the
 Public Enclosure is \$2.00 per day
 including Tax, for all Persons, includ-
 ing Ladies, and is payable at the
 Gate.

Soldiers and Sailors in Uniform
 are admitted Half Price.
 Bookmakers, Tic Tac Men, &c., will
 not be permitted to operate within
 the Precincts of the Race Meeting.
 Jockey Club during the Race Meeting.
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 Restaurant in the Public Enclosure.

By Order.

C. B. BROWN.

Hong Kong, 4th April, 1932.

A. S. WATSON & CO. LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN
 that the Forty-seventh Annual
 Ordinary General Meeting of the
 Company (since its registration)
 will be held at the Hongkong
 Hotel, Hongkong, on Tuesday, the
 19th April, 1932, at 11.30 a.m. for
 the purpose of receiving the
 Report of the General Managers,
 together with a Statement of Ac-
 counts for the year ended 31st
 October, 1931.

The Registrar of Shares of the
 Company will be closed from
 Wednesday, the 13th day of April,
 to Tuesday, the 19th day of April,
 1932, both days inclusive, during
 which period no further of shares
 can be registered.

JOHN D. HUMPHRIES & SON,
 General Managers.
 Hongkong, 7th April, 1932.



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PARTICULARS & CONDITIONS
 of the Sale by Public Auction
 to be held on Monday, the 11th
 day of April, 1932, at 3 p.m., at
 the Offices of the Public Works
 Department, by Order of His
 Excellency the Governor of one
 Lot of Crown Land at Prince
 Edward Road, Kowloon City,
 in the Colony of Hong Kong
 for a term of 75 years,
 commencing from 1st July, 1898
 with the option of renewal at
 a Crown Rent to be fixed by the
 Surveyor of His Majesty the
 King, for one further term of
 24 years less the last three days
 thereof.

PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

No. of Sale	Registry No.	Locality.	Boundary Measurements.	Contents in sq. feet.	Annual Rental.	Upset Price
1	New Kowloon Island Lot No. 1814	Prince Edward Road Kowloon City.	N. 100 ft. E. 100 ft. S. 100 ft. W. 100 ft.	As per sale plan	About 9,250	\$105
						\$13,975

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No. of Sale	Registry No.	Locality.	Boundary Measurements.	Contents in sq. feet.	Annual Rental.	Upset Price
1	New Kowloon Island Lot No. 1820	West of New Kowloon Island Lot Nos. 1819 & 1821, Kowloon Tong.	N. 100 ft. E. 100 ft. S. 100 ft. W. 100 ft.	As per sale plan	About 29,600	\$340
						\$14,900

PIECE GOODS
DISPUTE.CHINESE GUILD SUGGESTS
NEW CONTRACT.

The Chinese Piece Goods Guild this
 week circulated to importers pro-
 posals for radical changes in the form
 of contract which has been in general
 use since 1922. From enquiries made
 it is understood that importers regard
 the Guild's proposals as unworkable
 and therefore unacceptable to them.
 Meanwhile, pending a settlement of
 the question, the Chinese dealers are
 retarding business, despite the fact
 that it is getting late in the season
 to place orders for woollen goods.
 The delay is not, however, owing to an
 unseasonable autumn and other causes,
 there is a large carry over of woollen
 goods, enough, it is said, to supply
 all next season's requirements.

In an interview with a representa-
 tive of the S. C. M. Post a leading
 merchant stated that the importers
 found the Chinese Guild's new con-
 tract impracticable. The proposal to
 sell for "arrival" instead of for
 "shipment" is regarded as unreason-
 able, because importers would never
 be in a position to guarantee the
 exact date of arrival of steamers,
 which might be delayed owing to un-
 foreseen circumstances.

Percentage Reduction.

The new contract proposes that
 sellers shall be entitled to only six
 per cent. instead of nine per cent. for
 interest, godown, insurance and
 other charges, from the date of clear-
 ance until delivery.

"Six per cent." said the merchant
 "is insufficient to cover actual charges
 for interest, godown charges, insur-
 ance, etc., as it is a common practice
 for dealers to leave goods in ware-
 house long after due date for clear-
 ance."

The dealers, in their new contract,
 claim relief from their obligations in
 the event of strike, riot, boycott, war,
 civil commotion or other hostilities
 in China provided they can produce a
 certificate issued by the Chinese

Chamber of Commerce or other re-
 presentative body of merchants in or
 nearest to the district affected.
 Merchants feel that business would
 be impossible under such a clause,
 which in the last ten or twenty years
 would have been almost in constant
 operation. In practice, trade goes
 on in China despite civil commotion.

Arbitration Question.

The new contract stipulates further
 that in the event of disputes not
 settled amicably an arbitrator shall
 be appointed by each party. In the
 event of the award being in their
 favour the buyers shall have the
 option of either accepting the goods
 on the terms of the finding of the ar-
 bitrator, or rejecting the same, not-
 withstanding that an allowance is
 recommended in the award, provided
 nevertheless that such rejection shall
 not prejudice the buyers' right
 against the sellers for breach of con-
 tract.

This clause is strongly criticised
 by merchants as amounting (for the
 Guild) to the position, "Heads I win;
 tails you lose." It is proposed that,
 whatever the arbitrators may decide,
 the ultimate decision shall be with
 the dealer. And after that, he can
 still sue the merchant.

The present practice is for the
 General Chamber of Commerce to ap-
 point an expert arbitrator or arbitra-
 tors, and this is important because
 most disputes turn upon questions in-
 volving an expert knowledge of tex-
 tiles and ability to analyse cloth.
 Feeling is between finger and thumb
 whenever do.

Furthermore, it is contrary to
 modern commercial practice to have
 arbitrators appointed by the parties;
 they tend in that case to regard their
 arbitrator as their advocate, not their
 judge.

The General Chamber of Commerce
 is calling a meeting of all Importers
 for Thursday of next week to discuss
 recent actions of the Guild, culminat-
 ing in the contract now proposed,
 which merchants are surprised to
 have presented to them "for adoption."
 Without apparently the slightest ap-
 preciation of the fact that a contract
 is a joint concern of the contracting
 parties and not a matter for dictation
 by one of them.

POST OFFICE NOTICE

It is notified for the information of holders of Private Boxes at the
 General Post Office that on and after 1st February no taxed correspondence
 will be placed in the Boxes. A notification will be substituted and Box-
 holders are requested to call or send for the correspondence at the Box-
 holders' Lobby and there pay the amount of the Tax against the de-
 livery of the letters or packets.
 Letters and postcards for Europe and South America are forwarded
 "Via Siberia" if so superinscribed.

INWARD MAILS.

From	Per	Due
Japan	Ginyo Maru	April 7.
Shanghai & Swatow	Sunning	April 7.
Japan and Shanghai	Taiyo Maru	April 8.
U.S.A., Canada, Japan and Shanghai	Pres. Cleveland	April 8.
(Seattle, 19th March)	Corfu	April 8.
Japan and Shanghai	Shantung	April 9.
Shanghai and Swatow	Pres. Hoover	April 11.
Manila	General Metzinger	April 12.
Japan and Shanghai		
(London 17th March).	Changte	April 12.
Australia and Manila	Gange	April 13.
Shanghai		
Canada, U. S. A., Japan and Shang- hai (Vancouver B. C., 26th March)	Empress of Russia	April 14.
U. S. A., Honolulu, Japan & Shang- hai (San Francisco 18th March).	Pres. Hayes	April 16.

OUTWARD MAILS.

For	Per	Date and Time
Fort Bayard	Wing Lee	Thurs., Apr. 7, 2.30 p.m.
Swatow	Hydranga	Thurs., Apr. 7, 3 p.m.
Manila	Kentucky	Thurs., Apr. 7, 4.30 p.m.
Shanghai	Shunchih	Thurs., Apr. 7, 4.30 p.m.
Salmon	Alster	Thurs., Apr. 7, 4.30 p.m.
Parcels for Germany via Hamburg.	Takada	Thurs., Apr. 7, 5 p.m.
Amoy		
Shanghai, Japan, Honolulu, Canada, U. S. A., Central and South Ameri- ca and *Europe via Vancouver B.C. and *Europe via Siberia	Empress of Canada	Fri., Apr. 8. Parcels, Thurs., Apr. 7, 5 p.m. Reg., Thurs., Apr. 8, 9.15 a.m. Letters, Fri., Apr. 8, 10 a.m. (Duo Vancouver B. C., 26th April)
Shanghai	Chastine Macrak	Fri., Apr. 8, 12.30 p.m.

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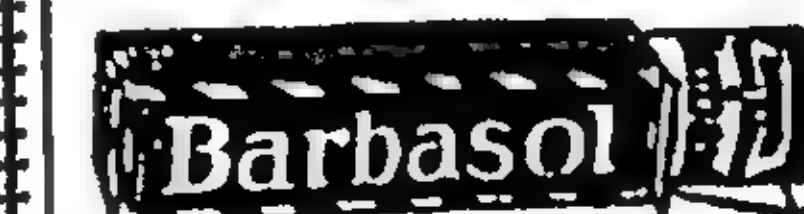
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RETRENCHMENT. SWEEPING PROPOSALS OUTLINED.

GOVERNMENT'S REPLY.

The long-awaited report of the Hongkong Retrenchment Commission appointed in July of 1930 has now been released by the Government for publication. Dealing with the whole field of Government expenditure, the report offers some trenchant criticism and makes some sweeping proposals for economy.

Signed by Mr. M. J. Breen (Chairman), the Hon. Mr. J. J. Paterson, Mr. J. Scott Harston and Mr. W. N. T. Tai, the report recommends savings of \$515,378, of which the Government has accepted \$281,098. These figures, however, it is pointed out, are merely a rough approximation.

The commission held 99 meetings and examined 53 witnesses, the majority of whom were members of the Government service. A number of private persons also gave evidence and helped the commission with their expert knowledge. The public were invited to bring forward their views but the result was disappointing.

A summary of the main points of the report is given below, together with some extracts from the Government's commentary on the report.

The report refers to the unwieldiness of the Public Works Department and remarks that reorganization is the first step to retrenchment.

Some P.W.D. witnesses are censured for having been "merely reticent" and others for having been "frankly obstructive," their "secretiveness" having wasted much time.

As a start the Commission recommends severing from the P.W.D. the two Waterworks offices, Maintenance and Construction.

One reason why the water question has been so mismanaged in the past, says the report, has been because the head of the Water Department has been only one of 12 sub-departmental heads.

Competing with eleven other sub-departmental heads for the time and attention of the Director of Public Works, his views have failed to filter through to the Chief Executive.

The proposal to set up a new department is defended by a reference to the cost of bringing water to the Colony and storing it during the drought of 1929.

Settled Programme Wanted.
The Commission feels strongly that a settled water programme should be prepared and definitely adhered to, so that there shall be no recurrence of the untoward happenings of that year.

With regard to the Waterworks Department, the Commission does not recommend any reduction in the staff. "They say Hongkong is five years behindhand instead of being five years ahead, the minimum requirement elsewhere."

The report recommends that water in Hongkong should be sold to the consumer as a business proposition, sufficient being charged to cover cost of production.

There should be no water rate—except for water required for public purposes—no free allowance, and the rider main system will have to be abandoned.

Speaking of all departments of the P.W.D., the Commission suggests that the financial year should be altered from January 31—December 31 to April—March 31.

The chief reason advanced for this change is that maintenance contracts would proceed to the end of the dry season instead of stopping in the middle. A big saving would result.

The Tender System.
The report recommends that the system of direct labour and the execution of small works by the P.W.D. should be extended, with certain safeguards.

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The report also refers to the duplication of motor repair shops for Government vehicles, and recommends abolishing the post of mechanical engineer.

The Commission is in favour of the whole of the Electrical Office being taken out of the Public Works Department and placed under the Post Office to remove a double allegiance.

They make no recommendations regarding the staff of the Electrical Office in view of the negotiations proceeding between the Government and the Imperial Wireless and Cables Co. for the transfer of the greater part of the Colony's wireless service.

The Government should consider disposing of its telephone service to the Hongkong Telephone Co., and possibly contracting out the maintenance of Government lifts.

Harbour Works.
The views of the Commission on the future administration of the harbour have already been put before the Government but they are not reproduced in the report.

The Commission stressed the necessity for proceeding with a survey of the harbour without delay under qualified men engaged from outside the service for that purpose.

Referring to the Port Development sub-department, which has in hand the vehicular ferry piers, the report urges the engaging of temporary staff or in future contracting out to a firm of British contractors.

One engineer and two overseers will be sufficient for the work remaining in hand at the end of the year, and the posts of executive engineer, two engineers and three overseers should be abolished.

The Crown Land and Surveys Department, it is recommended, should be formed into one unit under the headship of a properly qualified surveyor.

Reference is made to the growth in number of Chinese surveyors from eight in 1926 to 35 in the present year. There has been no reduction in the number of European surveyors, with resultant over-staffing. The number should be reduced from nine to six.

Complaints of delays having been made as regards applications for land to the Crown Lands Office, the Commission recommends that areas for development be mapped out in zones in advance.

Abuse of System.
The report speaks of an "intenable delay" in obtaining figures from the Accounts and Stores Department and adds that when they were produced they were of "little or no use."

Paraphrasing the Commission's belief that the water and Railways Departments are the only two departments which keep their accounts on a proper basis. The need for cost accounting is imperative.

Regarding the accounts of the Public Works Department, the Allotment Voucher system appears to have been abused and steps should be taken to remedy this.

"An executive is responsible and paid as such," adds the report, "and if he cannot be entrusted with responsibility in the spending of public money his services should be dispensed with. To fetter him as is now done only makes for delay."

Referring to the proposal for a central store with a branch at Kowloon for all Government departments, except medical, it is not considered that such a scheme would result in any saving.

Turning to the directorate of the P.W.D., the Commission recommends that the two posts of Assistant Directors of Public Works be abolished and be replaced by one Deputy Director of Public Works.

They recommend that the Technical Secretary be retained but that a more junior officer fill the post.

Senior Clerical Staff.
With reference to the Senior Clerical and Accounting Staffs, attention is drawn to the filing system which at present is considered "far too cumbersome and detrimental to efficiency."

A reduction of the headquarters staff of the P.W.D. is recommended on three grounds—(1) the diminished amount of work following reorganization; (2) the entire severance of the water works branch; and (3) the removal of a faulty organization at the central office, responsible for much of the present congestion.

A broad outline is given of the duties of the Director and his staff on which reorganization must take place. Decentralization of responsibility is recommended; at present not enough is given to Executive Engineers, some of whom when they appeared before the Commission showed a reluctance to accept responsibility.

"It cannot be too strongly emphasized," adds the report in this connection, "that responsibility is a necessary adjunct to the office of Executive Engineer."

Harbour Department.
The staff of the Harbour Department, particularly as regards the Europeans, has grown considerably within the last five years, and whilst the Commissioners fully recognize the desirability of efficiency, they also realize that there is a point where efficiency becomes uneconomical, and in their opinion this point has been passed. There is, moreover, the danger that too rigorous regulation may discourage shipping from using the port.

The Commission is not satisfied that the posts of Deputy and Assistant Harbour Master are necessary, and recommend amalgamation.

The report recommends the transference to the Police Court of all non-technical cases from the Marine Court.

The Commissioners consider the Harbour Master was wrong in his estimate of the staff requirements of the Government Marine Surveyors' Department; and that as a result of his wishes having been met, the department is now over-staffed.

The Commissioners were struck by the inadequate scale of fees charged for ship surveys of various kinds and consider that the fees charged should bear some relation to the cost of running the department.

The Official Receiver.
Referring to the Official Receiver, the report recommends that the post be allowed to lapse when the present holder retires in three years time, the duties being performed by the Registrar.

After speaking of the large number of bankruptcies in 1927, the report says should there be an abnormal increase it would be more economical to engage on a temporary basis a solicitor either locally or from home.

Medical Department.
After careful consideration the Commissioners feel unable to recommend any reduction in the Medical Department, but feel that reorganization schemes involving extra expenditure should be deferred until more prosperous times.

They note in passing, however, considering the density of the population, probably higher than in any other city in the world, it would seem that, if anything, too little public health work is done.

The substitution of Chinese for European nursing sisters should be pushed on as rapidly as suitable local recruits are obtainable.

Great co-operation is urged between the various medico-public health authorities, and the point is stressed that it is wasteful to have two separate authorities within Government for health work.

The Commissioners are of the opinion that the fees at present charged in Government hospitals for medical attendance and operations are too low. They understand that revision is under consideration.

The Commission's views on the desirability of building a new Government Civil Hospital have been submitted but are not reproduced in the report.

Sanitary Department.
The Commissioners do not consider that the Sanitary Department is over-staffed, but favour

the replacement of European inspectors by Asiatics and contracting out the street cleansing.

The Observatory.
The Commissioners observe a tendency on the part of the Royal Observatory staff to devote a part of their time to taking magnetic and other observations which are of no benefit either to Hongkong or to local shipping. In their opinion the Observatory should confine its activities to work for mariners.

The Post Office.
Referring to the Postal Department, the report says that when a new Post Office is built in Kowloon, central distribution of letters should be instituted, as has been on the Hongkong side. This system would be economical in postmen.

Chinese Affairs.
Dealing with the Secretariat for Chinese Affairs, the Commissioners suggest that a system of voluntary censorship accompanied by a bond or cash deposit, might be substituted for the present form of censorship control, in the case of the large and more responsible Chinese newspapers.

They also recommend that the payment of compensation for "fung shui" should be discontinued.

The Police.
The labours of the Commissioners as regards the Police Department were considerably lightened by the helpful attitude of the Inspector General of Police, who came before them with a comprehensive scheme of retrenchment which promised a saving of about two lakhs.

The main feature of the Inspector General's scheme is the replacement of thirty British police by an equal number of Russians, accounting for a saving of nearly a lakh in salaries, to which must be added the large saving in passages, pensions, etc.

The police to be replaced are those performing the duties of section sergeants; the least responsible work of the European contingent, and performed by the most junior officers.

To employ on it highly paid Europeans is extravagant, but neither Indians nor Chinese would, according to the I.G.P., be satisfactory. On the other hand, Russians, being domiciled in China, are cheap, and experience with them, as anti-piracy guards, has shown that they would be eminently suitable.

Only men with a knowledge of English would be employed. The higher posts of Inspector, Sub-Inspector and Crown sergeant in the European contingent would be reserved for British officers.

The Russian police would be recruited on a temporary basis. If therefore it were desired at a later date to revert to an all-British European contingent, there would be no difficulty in doing so.

The Commissioners, with the exception of the Chairman, advocate the adoption of the proposal, the Hon. Mr. Paterson adding that he had experience of Russians in Shanghai and found them most satisfactory.

The Chairman dissented from the proposal and in lieu thereof recommended that the reduction of thirty posts could and should be effected by a reorganization of the duties of section sergeants, who should be mounted on motor cycles, thus enabling each officer to cover a greater number of sections than he could at present on foot.

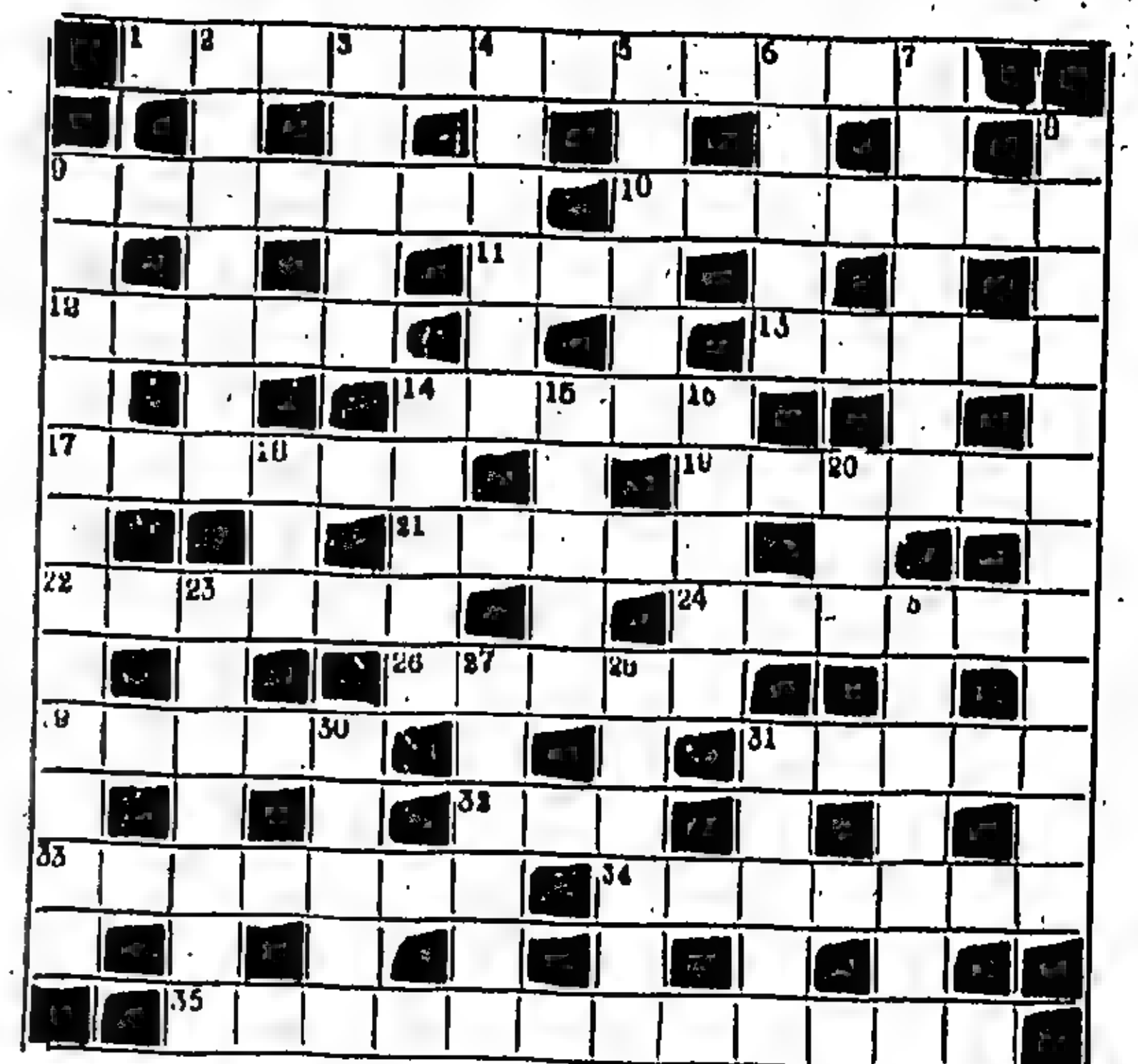
The Prisons.
Referring to the Prison Department, the report criticizes the existing plan for the new Prison and questions the need for sixty European warders. Reductions should also be made at Victoria and Laichikok.

The C. S. O.
Speaking of the enormous growth of staff at the Colonial Secretary's Office, the report sums the trouble up briefly as "over-centralization."

The Commissioners consider that a great deal of matter of a trivial nature should be dealt with in toto by the heads of the various departments.

(Continued on Page 10.)

OUR BRITISH CROSSWORDS.



Across

- 1 Bold and confident to excess, and containing an arrangement for excess—of oil.
- 9 Take a drop of wine. It will give you aid.
- 11 Live in established custom.
- 12 Be careful now, this little beggar begins to take advantage.
- 13 Being centrally illuminated, this is the choicest part.
- 14 There is something that has been burned in this Scottish dish.
- 17 Red Sam enters into visionary realms.
- 19 As dispatched, you might as well agree.
- 21 This man makes the most of his principal meal.
- 22 Do this and there will be no strings on it.
- 24 Put up a good fight, and you'll get it.
- 26 Try this kind of writing.
- 29 Nods are as good as winks here.
- 31 Ornament, but arrived with nothing.
- 32 A bit of an eyesore.
- 33 On land men are in their own.
- 34 Persons who frequently disagree with each other, and are impatient, to a considerable degree.
- 35 "Let not my ring" worry you (anag.).

Down

- 2 Extreme joy.
- 3 It was rather fun. I tempted it—chiefly with nuts—to return (hidden).
- 5 Morning prayer.
- 6 Let it rip in three.
- 8 Not necessarily aristocratic, but

- 7 A case where it is possible to put on side even if one does go down.
- 8 Official declarations in which more than one station is concerned.
- 9 Sounds like parental instructions to take a stroll—but the paternity is non-existent.
- 14 Just a team—on the q.t.
- 15 Like extremes, these meet.
- 16 Stop! It looks like being a black and dirty business.
- 18 Seen in a lagoon, but not recently, of course.
- 20 Help!
- 23 Give the trial your earnest consideration—though 'tis nothing but a trial after all.
- 25 'I'm good—and very bad.
- 27 Old-time corn cutter.
- 28 The opposite of present.
- 30 A simple sounding cut.
- 31 Chicken.

Yesterday's Solution.

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SHARE PRICES.

TO-DAY'S QUOTATIONS.

The following is the list of local share quotations issued to-day:

Banks.
Hongkong Bank, \$1,500 b.
Chartered Bank, \$11 1/2 n.
Mercantile A. and B., \$20 n.
East Asiatic, \$115 b.

Insurances.
Canton Ins., \$1,250 n.
Union Ins., \$465 b.
China Underwriters, \$4 n.
China Fire, \$590 n.
H.K. Fire Ins., \$1,195 n.

Shipping.
Douglases, \$27 n.
H. K. Steamships, \$23 n.
Indo-China, (Freight), \$32 n.
Union Waterboats, \$19 1/2 n.

Mining.
Benguela, \$12.50 b.
Kailans, 25/- n.
Shai Explorations, Tls. 2.10 n.
Raub, \$38 b.

Docks, etc.
Kowloon Wharves, \$143 b.
Whampoa Docks, \$23/20 sa.
South China Motors \$10 n.
Provident, (old), \$4.90 b.
Hongkong, Tls. 220 n.
New Engineers, Tls. 6 1/2 n.
Shanghai Docks, Tls. 90 1/2 n.

Cottons.
Ewo Cottons, Tls. 14.75 b.
Shanghai Cotton, Tls. 75 n.
Zoon Sings Tls. 11 1/2 n.

Lands, Hotels, etc.
H. K. Hotels, \$13.60 sa. Cum Rita.
H. K. Hotels, Tls. \$2.80 b.
H. K. Lands, \$78 b.
Shai Lands, Tls. 27 n.
Humphreys \$18 n.
Reitlitz, \$11 b.

Public Utilities.
Tramways, \$21.50 b.
Peak Tram, (old), \$15.60 sa.
Star Ferries, \$2 1/2 b.
China Lights, \$21 n.
H. K. Electric, \$73 1/2 b.
Macao Electric, \$24 1/2 n.
Telephones, \$41 n.
China Buses, Tls. 16 n.
Singapore Traction, 8/- n.

Stores, etc.
Dairy Farm, \$28.75 n.
Watsons, \$16 n.
Watsons Rights, 3 1/2 b.
Der A. Wings, \$1 n.
Lane Crawford, \$6.50 n.
Mackintosh, \$19 n.
Sincoras, \$15 1/2 n.
Powells, \$3.65 n.

Miscellaneous.
Amusements, \$21 1/2 b.
Entertainments (old) \$14.90 n.
Constructions (old) \$6.15 n.
S. C. Enterprises \$10 a.
B. Ind. G. & Bonds, \$58 1/2 n.
Loans, \$3 1/2 b. Prem.
Constructions (new), \$1.85 b.
Asia Realities, "A", \$160 n.
Asia Realities "B", \$50n.
Am. O. Finance Corp., \$29 n.

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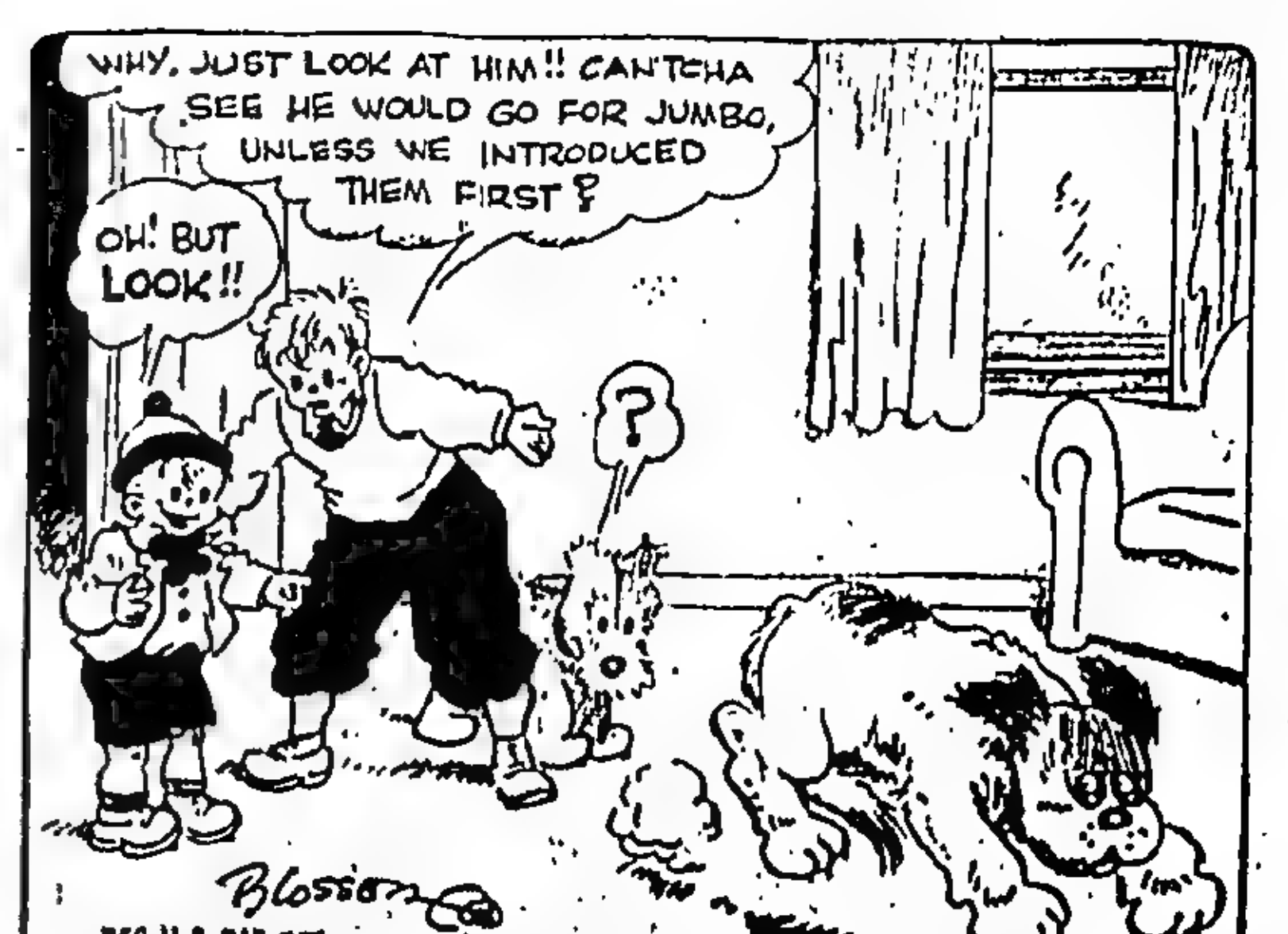
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The facts of the situation are well-known. Macao is at the moment experiencing a bad epidemic of the disease, and, even were effective quarantine restrictions possible, which seems doubtful, it is believed that this would provide no guarantee against the disease being brought into Hongkong. The problem is rendered difficult owing to the spreading of the complaint by healthy carriers. But if the disease cannot be tackled at its source, surely something might be accomplished or attempted in the way of preventive measures in this Colony. In the 1918 outbreak, atomizing centres were established at various points, which the public were required to visit daily. The Medical Officer of Health is sceptical of the benefits of such treatment, but to the lay mind it would seem that nothing would be lost, and possibly much gained, by the instituting of some such measures. It is common knowledge that in times of epidemics there is such a thing as communal fear, and, to put it no higher,—though we are by no means convinced

"Of course I don't really
just as well to

"I really intend to disinherit them, but I
well to keep them thinking so."

if fresh meat were
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ence for appearances"



4-POWER PARLEY.

Cleavage Over Bulgaria.

BUT START NOT UNPROMISING.

London, Apr. 6. As a result of the first day's deliberations, the Danubian Conference has agreed in principle that help must be given urgently to the distressed countries along the Danube, but has been careful to avoid any attempt to tie the Conference to a particular scheme.

It is learned that the proceedings have already revealed a cleavage between Britain and France on the one hand and Italy and Germany on the other, over the question of whether Bulgaria should be included in any Danubian Federation.

The Conference is likewise in two camps at the moment as to whether the Danubian countries should confer separately.

Germany's Point.

France and Britain favour laying the proposals of the Four-Power Conference before a meeting of the Danubian Government, while Italy and Germany desire a full conference of nine countries on the ground that a scheme reached by the Danubian countries alone might prove oppressive to Austria and Hungary.

The relief proceedings mooted at the Conference embrace financial aid by France and Britain and tariff concessions by Italy and Germany, which are the principal markets for the distressed countries.

On the whole, it is felt that a very promising exploration of the whole problem before Four-Power Conference was undertaken at its first meeting and the delegates are hopeful that valuable results will be registered before the conference concludes, probably on Friday.

The full delegations of France, Germany, Italy and United Kingdom attended the Conference, which was held at the Foreign Office this afternoon.

Communique Issued.

It rose after a three hours session and a communique issued later stated:

An exchange of views took place as regards the problems inherent in the present economic and financial circumstances of the Danubian States and the nature of the measures most appropriate for their solution.

Before the Conference adjourned a committee was appointed to report on this subject to the Conference then it resumes on Thursday at 2.30 in the afternoon. The four Powers agreed to appoint a committee of experts one from each of the four Powers to consider the problems raised by the recent report of the Financial Committee of the League of Nations on the financial state of certain countries of central and south-eastern Europe.

Leaders' Committee.

It is understood that the Committee of the Conference will, in effect, be composed of the heads of the delegations and that Mr. Ramsay MacDonald will act as Chairman.

The committee of experts which the four Powers have appointed to examine the League's financial committee's report will consist of representatives of the Governments concerned. Sir Frederick Leith Ross will be the British representative. Feeling was expressed at today's meeting that there was a danger of some of the very valuable reports prepared under the auspices of the League of Nations being neglected because there was no executive authority to take them into detailed consideration.

Experts' Job.

The Report published last week has a very definite bearing on the subject before the Four-Power Conference and it is already known it is to be considered next Tuesday at a specially convened meeting of the League of Nations Council. All the members of the expert committee which has been appointed have not yet reached London, but they will begin work as soon as possible and may continue their deliberations of the proposals made in the League report after the present Conference has concluded.—*Reuter and British Wireless.*

For returning from banishment before the expiration of 10 years, a man named Chan Lan was sentenced to nine months' hard labour by Mr. Fraser at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning. Inspector Elston said defendant was banished in 1920 and was found in the New Asia Hotel by

DEATH OF MR. M. MANUK.

HONGKONG SUFFERS BIG LOSS.

ACTIVE CAREER.

Death has removed one of Hongkong's best-known and most highly respected business men in the person of Mr. Malcolm Manuk, Secretary of the Dairy Farm, Ice and Cold Storage Co., Ltd., who passed away at the Italian Convent Hospital this morning. The late Mr. Manuk had been in his usual health until some few days ago, when he contracted meningitis. His case soon became serious, and though at one time there were hopes of his recovery, he later suffered a relapse and, despite all that medical attention could do, succumbed this forenoon.

Of Armenian nationality, Mr. Manuk, who was 51 years of age, came to Hongkong as a young man after being educated at the Calcutta English College. For a time, he was in the service of the Post Office here, and then he joined the staff of the Mercantile Bank of India. He is best known, however, for his lengthy association with the Dairy Farm Co., which he joined in 1905 as a bookkeeper. Later he became Acting Secretary, and for more than twenty years he was its Secretary.

A man of much business acumen, he rendered invaluable services to the Dairy Farm Co., by whom he will be greatly missed. He was also a Director of Lane, Crawford, Ltd., Wm. Powells, and the recently-instituted brewery company. He travelled a great deal and was particularly well-known in Australia, which he often visited in connexion with the meat trade.

Outside his business interests, Mr. Manuk found time for much activity. He was particularly interested in Theosophy, being the first President of the local Society, and was a firm believer in hypnotism, successfully treating many people suffering from nervous disorders. He also took a very lively interest in the Volunteers, being a sergeant in the Artillery Company, and was also an excellent rifle shot.

Of sterling character and a most charitable nature, he was greatly loved by all who enjoyed his friendship, and amongst all communities his death will be widely regretted. Mr. Manuk leaves a sister, Miss Mary Manuk, who has been for some time a patient at the Kowloon Hospital, following a severe operation. The utmost sympathy will be felt for her in the heavy bereavement she has suffered. Another sister, the late Mrs. T. Gregory, passed away recently.

The funeral is to take place tomorrow.

ARSENAL AGAIN DEFEATED.

HUDDERSFIELD RISE IN TABLE.

London, Apr. 6. Arsenal's visions of the "double" this season receded far into the background to-day when they suffered defeat at Sunderland. The results of matches played to-day follow:

First Division.		
Liverpool	2	Chelsea 1
Sunderland	2	Arsenal 0
Huddersfield	1	Manch. City 0

Third Division (North).		
Chester	1	Crewe 0

Scottish League.		
Kilmarnock	0	Aberdeen 2

The First Division leaders follow:

Everton	36	23	3	10	108	61	49
Arsenal	30	18	9	9	74	43	15
Huddersfield	37	18	9	10	75	53	45

POSTAL CLERK SENTENCED.

IMPRISONMENT FOR SIX MONTHS.

Having yesterday admitted a charge of the forgery of mail matter, Tang Yuk-chau, a clerk at the General Post Office, appeared at the Central Police Court this morning to receive sentence.

The Magistrate (Mr. Wynne-Jones) said he had given the case his most earnest consideration, remembering also that the most important side of the punishment was the deterrent factor. He could not but consider that the offence was very great when committed by a person holding the position that the defendant had, and this kind of thing could not be allowed to go on. He had therefore no option but to sentence the defendant to prison for six months.

IRELAND'S NOTE RECEIVED.

CONTENTS NOT YET DIVULGED.

London, Apr. 6. A communication on the question of the Oath of Allegiance and the Land Annuities was received by the Dominions Secretary Mr. J. H. Thomas, this morning from the President of the Council of the Irish Free State, Mr. de Valera. Questioned in Parliament, Mr. Thomas said it was at present under consideration by the Government. Asked for a further statement on the subject, Mr. Thomas suggested that if the Leader of the Opposition, Mr. Lansbury, repeated the question on Monday, he might be able to give an answer. As to the contents of the communication, Mr. Thomas said it was not customary to publish documents of such a kind without agreement between the two Governments concerned. He added that he had already promised publication at the earliest possible moment.—*British Wireless.*

GREAT BRITAIN APPROACHED.

NO REPLY SENT TO "MANCHUKUO."

London, Apr. 6. In the absence of Sir John Simon, who was attending the Four-Power Conference, the Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs, replying to a question said that Sir John had received a communication purporting to be from the Minister for Foreign Affairs of the new Government in Manchuria, requesting the opening of formal diplomatic relations. No answer had been returned.

Regarding the movements of the League Commission of Enquiry, he said the Secretary-General of the League was informed on the 26th March, that the Commission proposed to leave Shanghai that day for Nanking, where they would stay for four days, and that they would reach Peking at the end of his week. They expect to arrive in Manchuria at the beginning of the third week in April.—*British Wireless.*

LADY CHASES SNATCHER.

\$2,000 LOSS JUST PREVENTED.

A chase through two streets after a snatcher who had stolen her handbag, containing \$2,500 and jewellery worth a further \$500, was carried out by Mrs. Bird, a visitor to the Colony, staying in the Republic Bay Hotel, shortly after mid-day yesterday.

Mrs. Bird had been to a jewellery shop in Queen's Road West and made a number of purchases, including two jade-rings. When she came out with a leather handbag gripped under her arm, a man darted out from the crowd and snatched it.

In the ensuing hue-and-cry, the thief ran into Kong Yuen Street, off Queen's Road, with Mrs. Bird in pursuit. He tripped and fell twice, and on the second occasion, hard pressed by Mrs. Bird, was compelled to leave the bag on the ground. Mrs. Bird recovered the article, and by now completely out of breath, retired into a near-by shop and rested.

The thief, continuing his flight, ran into the arms of a district watchman in Sutherland Street, and was arrested. He was sentenced by Mr. Schofield at the Central Magistracy to-day to six months' hard labour and 15 strokes of the birch.

BAN ON INDIAN CONGRESS.

TO BE PROHIBITED THIS YEAR.

New Delhi, Apr. 6. In consequence of the civil disobedience campaign, the Government of India has decided to prohibit the holding of the annual session of the Indian National Congress this year.

It had been arranged to hold the Congress at New Delhi, under the presidency of the veteran leader, Madan Mohan Malaviya.—*Reuter.*

The Royal Observatory reports that the anticyclone has weakened considerably and is shown as a belt of relatively high pressure extending from the Yangtze Valley across South Japan to the Pacific. Depressions are situated to the east of Hokkaido and over Tongking. Local forecast:—East winds, moderate; cloudy, fog, mist or light rain.

HONGKONG WOMEN.

"HOMO" REPLIES.

AN UNPROFITABLE ENMITY

The drift of my last letter appears to have been misapprehended by some of your correspondents. An attempt has been made therein to arouse Hongkong men from their manifest acquiescence or lethargy in connexion with what I consider to be, at the moment, a one-sided sex war.

Criticism of women, taken in the aggregate, was unavoidable under the circumstances, but it was not disseminated with the object either of exciting their wrath or of reforming them—"convince a woman against her will, and she is of the same opinion still."

To what extent I have succeeded in achieving my real aim remains to be proved by approaching developments, but I have unquestionably contrived to arouse a measure of unprofitable enmity in the ranks of the predatory female. I very much regret that hostility has been demonstrated by innuendo and personal revilement, instead of rational argument, but, after all, the weaker sex is notoriously prone to take refuge in vituperation when reason has been confounded.

"Pussy" remarks that "in a correspondence of this nature we do not want the personal element and personal prejudices," and yet she straightaway affirms that there must be something radically wrong with my personality. She asserts that I cover my weakness with high-sounding words and phrases without making the least effort in the direction of exposing or proving the debility.

A Pretty Picture.

"Annabelle" goes still further. Not content with ridiculing my views and mode of expression, she must have something semi-concrete at which to spit and scratch. She lies awake at night and in her fertile imagination conjures up a crude, abominable personality—a gentleman (?)—a sort of a rattle-snake in his youth... a loathsome tyrant to his innocent, slaving girl-wife... spending his days in drunken orgies and ultimately descending to unprintable depths of infamy.

Well, I guess I'll be laying no claim to the appellation of "gentleman" if the modern lounge lizard is "Annabelle's" definition, and the remainder of her fluttering conjectures cut no ice as far as my established views on woman are concerned.

"Flagrant renunciation" taken to the limit means discontinuation of human evolution. To "Annabelle" this, perhaps, means nothing. In my opinion, it is of vital import to even the present generation.

"A mother should be the dearest possession in the heart of a man." I readily agree, but motherhood that seeks to evade or that puts "a good time" before maternal responsibilities can never hope to command either lover or respect. "Hoist."

A. S. WATSON'S PROFIT.

PROPOSED DIVIDEND OF 80 CENTS.

Messrs. A. S. Watson and Company's annual report shows that the profit for the twelve months ended 31st October, 1931, amounted to \$201,324.62, which together with the carry forward of \$80,133.13 from the previous year, leaves \$281,457.75 available for appropriation.

The Directors will recommend at the forthcoming annual meeting of shareholders that this sum be allocated as follows:—To pay a dividend of 80 cents per share, which will absorb \$95,000; place to Reserve Fund, \$50,000; transfer to Exchange Fluctuation Account, \$50,000; transfer to Chinese Staff Superannuation Fund \$5,000; and carry forward to next account, \$80,457.75.

SOVIET SPIES IN POLAND.

SENTENCES ON MAN AND MISTRESS.

Warsaw, Apr. 6. Antoni Stanislawski and his mistress, Michalina Grot, were sentenced to ten years' and three years' hard labour respectively on charges of espionage to-day.

They were arrested prior to the arrest of Major Demkowaki, who was shot on July 18 last year for espionage on behalf of the Soviet Government.—*Reuter.*

RADIO BROADCAST

CHINESE CONCERT FROM STUDIO TO-NIGHT.

By Z. B. W. on a wavelength of 355 metres. (845 K.C.s). 6.00-8.00 p.m. European programme of Victor records.

6.00-6.20 p.m. Operatic. Lohengrin-Prelude Act III. (Wagner). Lohengrin-The Bridal Chorus (Wagner). Lohengrin-Symphony Orchestra.

Chorus and Symphony Orchestra conducted by Albert Coates. 9.005. Faust-Le parate d'amore (Gounod). Margarete Matzenauer (Contralto). 9.018.

Samson and Delilah-Bachchanale (Saint-Saens). Philadelphia Symphony Orch. 6823. Boheme-Racconto di Rodolfo (Puccini).

Giovanni Martinelli (Tenor). 6595. 7.00 p.m. Stock quotations; mail notice. 6.20-7.15 p.m. A Concert.

Piano Solo-Étude in D Flat Major (Scriabin). Piano Solo-Étude in C Sharp Minor (Scriabin).

Muriel Kerr. 4113. Song-Since First I Met Thee (Watson-Rubinstein).

Song-Songs my Mother Taught Me (Macfarren-Dvorak). Rosa Fomelle (Soprano). 1319. Violin Solo-Vocalise (Rachmaninoff Press).

Violin Solo-Caprice in E Flat Major (Wienlawski-Kreisler). Mischa Elman. 1364.

Song-Bird Songs at Eventide (Barrie-Coates). Song-The Little Silver Ring (Chaminade).

John McCormack (Tenor). 1303. Piano Solo-Étude Tableaux (Rachmaninoff).

Piano Solo-Dance of the Gnomes (Liszt). Sergei Rachmaninoff. 1181.

Vocal Duet-I Know a Bank Whereon the Wild Thyme Grows (Shakespeare-Horn). Olive Kline and Elsie Baker.

Vocal Duet-The Moon Has Risen Her Lamp Above (Benedict). Royal Dadmun and Lambert Murphy. 4085.

Violin Solo-Tango (Albeniz-Kreisler). Fritz Kreisler.

Violin Solo-Dance Espagnole (Spanish Dance) (De Falla-Kreisler). Fritz Kreisler. 1339.

7.15-7.25 p.m. Ma Mere L'Oye (Mother Goose) (Ravel).

Boston Symphony Orchestra under the direction of Serge Koussevitzky. 7370-7371.

7.25-8.00 p.m. Vocal Gems. "Rose-Marie."

"No No Nanette." "The Student Prince in Heidelberg." "The Love Song."

"The Merry Widow." "The Chocolate Soldier." "Robin Hood."

Victor Light Opera Company. 35769, 35767, 35416, and 35781. 8.00 p.m. Local time; weather report.

8.05-10.30 p.m. Chinese Concert from the Studio.

10.30 p.m. Rugby mid-day press news. 10.33 p.m. Close down.

All records in the above European programmes are kindly supplied by Messrs. Tsang Pook Piano Co.

Monthly Report. According to the March report of the Hongkong Broadcasting Committee, the actual hours of transmission during the month totalled 261.75, of which 152.25 were devoted to European programmes and 109.50 to Chinese programmes. The monthly percentages were, European, 58.17; Chinese, 41.83.

During the month the following items were broadcast: Dance programmes, 6; running commentaries, 1; European studio concerts, 4; Chinese studio concerts, 5; European relays, 11; Experimental relays, 2; Chinese relays, 7; European lectures, 1; European readings, 1; Chinese lectures, 4; European children's programmes, 6; Chinese children's programmes, 6.

New licences issued during March, amounting to 31, and there were 80 renewals.

"L.G." GIVING UP POLITICS.

FOR LITERATURE AND FARMING.

London, Apr. 6. It is understood that Mr. Lloyd George, "The Father of the House of Commons," has decided virtually to retire from active politics in the House of Commons, while retaining his seat.

He will, it is believed, devote himself principally to literary pursuits and his favourite hobby of farming.—*Reuter.*

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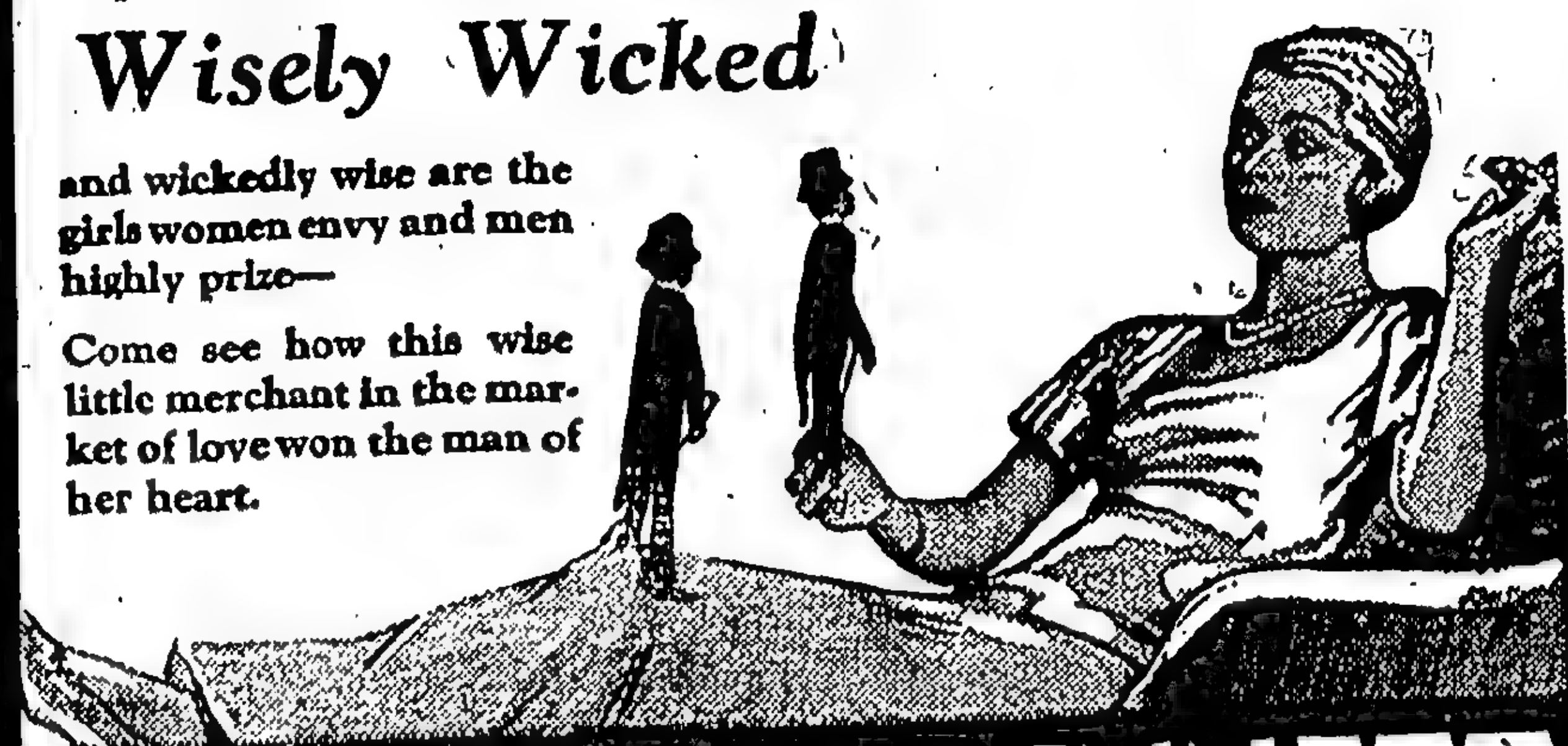
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**PEACE PARLEY
 PROGRESS.**

**OUTLOOK LITTLE
 BETTER.**

Tokyo, Apr. 6.
 The Government is understood
 to have agreed to Mr. Shigemitsu
 declaring that as soon as con-
 ditions in and around Shanghai
 have improved sufficiently to en-
 sure a sense of security for
 Japanese nationals as regards the
 protection of their lives, property
 and legitimate pursuits, Japanese
 troops will be further withdrawn
 to the International Settlement
 and the Extra-Settlement roads in
 the Hongkow District, as prior to
 January 28.

Mr. Shigemitsu will also be in-
 structed to intimate that if the
 Chinese definitely commit them-
 selves to participate in a Round
 Table Conference after the truce
 has been concluded, Japan will
 be prepared to consider further
 concessions, including the setting
 of a time limit for withdrawal.—
 Reuter.

A Slight Advance.

Shanghai, Apr. 6.
 The prospects at the Sino-Japan-
 ese armistice conference took a
 turn for the better to-day, when the
 military sub-committee reached a
 tentative agreement with regard
 to the points to which the Japanese
 forces should temporarily with-
 draw, prior to complete evacuation
 to the Settlement.

Members of the sub-committee,
 accompanied by British, Ameri-
 can, French and Italian military
 attaches, will inspect the points in
 question to-morrow, and will then
 confirm the tentative agreement,
 with possible amendments.

This marks a definite step for-
 ward, but the toughest nut, namely
 the time in which total withdrawal
 of the Japanese forces to the Settle-
 ment shall be accomplished, re-
 mains to be cracked. The outlook
 in this matter is not too bright, as
 the Japanese continue to turn a
 deaf ear to the insistent Chinese
 demand for a definite time limit.—
 Reuter.

The Chapel Plot.

Shanghai, Apr. 6.
 Mr. Wu Teh-chen has ordered
 the arrest of all persons alleged
 to be plotting for the establish-
 ment of a puppet government in
 China, under Japanese military
 protection.

Chinese officials attach but
 little importance to the plot, con-
 tending that any illegal political
 organization created with Japan-
 ese assistance will naturally dis-
 appear when the Japanese forces
 withdraw and normalcy is re-
 stored.—Reuter Special.

Japanese Victory.

Harbin, Apr. 6.
 It is reported that Fungcheng
 has been occupied by Japanese
 forces after heavy fighting, the
 Kirin troops retreating to San-
 sing, pursued by the Japanese.

It is reliably learned that three
 large mixed bands of Russian,
 Korean and Chinese partisans,
 with Russian commanders, are
 operating between Pogranich-
 naya, Muling and Hengshihotzu.
 These partisans are stated to be
 well armed, with machine-guns,
 automatic rifles and bombs.—Reu-
 ter.

S. M. Railway.

Tokyo, Apr. 6.
 Imperial sanction is to be sought,
 shortly, to appoint Mr. Yoshiaki
 Hatta to succeed Mr. Eguchi as
 vice-president of the South Man-
 churian Railway.

Although Mr. Eguchi has ten-
 dered his resignation, Mr. Uchida
 is expected to continue as presi-
 dent, despite reports that he would
 resign if Mr. Eguchi resigned.—
 Reuter.

Kwangtung Post.

Shanghai, Apr. 6.
 It is reported that Mr. Wu Teh-
 chen and General Fan Chi-wu, the
 chief of staff of the Nineteenth
 Route Army, are both candidates
 for the Chairmanship of the
 Kwangtung Provincial Govern-
 ment.

Gen. Fan Chi-wu has left for
 Canton.—Reuter Special.

**THAT SILVER
 CONFERENCE.
 BRITAIN MAY BE
 INVITED.**

Washington, Apr. 6.
 The Coinage Sub-Committee of
 the House of Representatives has
 decided to ask the advice of the
 State Treasury Department on the
 question of inviting Britain
 to participate in the proposed
 International Silver Conference.—
 Reuter's American Service.

**POWERFUL RADIO
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 SCHEME.**

Nanking, Apr. 7.
 The Minister of Communications
 announces that the Government is
 making preparations for the
 establishment of a new and power-
 ful radio station capable of com-
 municating directly with any
 station in the world.—Reuter.

**HONGKONG SHARE
 MARKET.**

**OFFICIAL SUMMARY BY
 STOCK EXCHANGE.**

The market opened in a most
 buoyant mood this morning, with a
 strong demand for practically the
 entire list of the active section.
 Consequently, there was a substantial
 advance in quotations.
 The more hopeful news from the
 North, coupled with the lower ex-
 change, would seem to account for
 the sudden improvement in the last
 two days.

Sales.

Docks \$22/20
 Providents (old) \$4.90
 Hotels (Cum. Rights) \$13.60
 Hongkong Land \$77 1/2
 H.K. Realities \$11.10
 Hongkong Trams \$21 1/2
 Peak Trams (old) \$15.60
 China Lights (old) \$21
 Constructions (New) \$1.00 ex. Div.

Buyers.

Hongkong Bank \$1500
 Bank of East Asia \$115
 Union Insurance \$405
 Bencuts \$12 1/2
 Raubs \$38
 Wharves \$143
 Docks \$20
 Providents (Old) \$4.90
 Providents (New) \$2 1/2
 Hotels (Cum. Rights) \$13.65
 Hotels (Rights) \$2.80
 Hongkong Trams \$21 1/2
 H.K. Realities \$11
 Chinese Estates \$95
 Ewo Cottons Tis. 14 1/2
 Hongkong Trams \$21.60
 Peak Trams \$15.60
 Star Ferries \$9 1/2
 China Lights (Old) \$21
 China Lights (New) \$20 1/2
 Hongkong Electric \$73 1/2
 Telephones (P.P.) \$24
 Canton Ice \$5 1/2
 Cements (Combined) \$18.40
 Watsons (Cum. Rights) \$16
 Watsons (Right) \$3 1/2
 Amusements \$21 1/2
 Constructions (New) \$1.86 ex. Div.
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Sellers.

International Assoc. Tis. 4
 Hotels (Cum. Rights) \$13.60
 Malabar Sugars \$21
 S.C. Enterprises \$10

EXCHANGE RATES.

	Previous Day.	Yesterday.
Paris	95 1/2	96 1/2
Geneva	19.42 1/2	19.17/32
Berlin	15.90	16
Oslo	19.1/16	19 1/2
Helsingfors	215	215
Athens	300	300
Buenos Aires	37 1/2	36.13/16
Shanghai	1/8 1/2	1/8 1/2
New York	3.77 1/2	3.80 1/2
Amsterdam	9.31 1/2	9.38
Vienna	32	32
Madrid	50	50.3/16
Bucharest	630	630
Hongkong	1/33/16	1/33/16
Brussels	26.95	27 1/2
Milan	73 1/2	73 1/2
Stockholm	18.5/16	18 1/2
Copenhagen	18.20	18.20
Prague	127 1/2	128 1/2
Lisbon	110	110
Rio	4.1/16	4.1/16
Bombay	1/6.1/32	1/6.1/32
Yokohama	1/8 1/2	1/8 1/2
Montevideo	30	30
Montreal	4.18	4.20
Silver (spot)	17 1/2	17
(forward)	17.5/16	17.1/16

SATURDAY'S CRICKET.

**STRONG TEAM CHOSEN TO
 MEET INDIAN R.C.**

The following have been selected to
 play for the Rest of the League
 against the Indian Recreation Club,
 champions in the First Division, on
 the I. R. C. ground on Saturday, at 2
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 Richardson (Civil Service), E. C.
 Fincher and G. C. Burnett (Kowloon
 C. C.), E. J. R. Mitchell and A. C.
 Beck (Hongkong C. C.), Capt. Burnett
 (Royal Navy), T. R. Ride and D. J.
 N. Anderson (University), E. Zim-
 mern and R. Lee (Craigengower).

The Champions' Eleven.

The following will represent the I.
 R. C.—A. A. Ramjahn (Capt.), F. D.
 Pereira, S. R. Kermah, A. H. Ram-
 jahn, A. H. Madar, S. A. Jamali, A.
 T. Minu, R. Minu, J. S. A. Cur-
 reem, H. D. Ramjahn and A. N.
 Other. Reserve.—I. S. A. Curreem.

LOCAL FOOTBALL.

**YESTERDAY'S RESULTS IN
 HONGKONG LEAGUE.**

Results of senior division league
 football played yesterday were:
 S.W.B. 5 Revere 0.
 Hongkong F.C. 3 H.K. Police 0.
 The Division II game between the
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 played on the Chatham Road ground
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RETRENCHMENT.

(Continued from Page 5.)

The heads of departments all appeared to the Commissioners to be anxious and willing to accept full responsibility for the running of their departments, but the Colonial Secretary's Office apparently will not let them have it.

The Cadet Service.

Dealing with the Cadet Service, the Commissioners note that the number of senior posts was recently increased from five to seven. The Commissioners recommend that these posts be not automatically filled on a vacancy occurring, but only when an officer sufficiently qualified and efficient to be deserving of such promotion is available. These promotions should be made strictly on merit and not seniority.

Education.

After dealing with various aspects of the Education Department, the report expresses the opinion that too much is done for secondary education and too little for primary.

The former could be curtailed without any detriment to the Colony, and the method by which this should be done is by raising the fees at Government secondary schools which at present bear no relation to the cost of providing the education.

The basis on which grants are made to grant-in-aid schools should be rationalized. Speaking of subsidized schools, the report says that the ultimate ideal to be kept in view is free elementary education for all.

Referring specifically to the Diocesan Boys' School, Kowloon, the Commissioners say:

"It would seem also to the Commissioners a matter for regret that a site so fine and extensive, and indeed possibly the best, in the residential portion of Kowloon, should have been allotted for the purpose of building this school: the lack of policy on the part of the Education Department would here again appear to be demonstrated. Two of the finest sites in the Colony (i.e. the Diocesan Boys' School, Kowloon, and St. Stephen's College, Stanley), have been allotted to denominational schools, while the Government has not only built King's College at a cost of one million dollars—in Hongkong and without adequate or suitable surroundings, but also proposed to build a new Central British School, likewise at the cost of one million dollars, in a place remote from the inhabitants whose children it is proposed to educate therein, and near the purlieus of Old Kowloon City."

Exchange Problem.

Under the heading Treasury, the Commissioners do not agree with the opinion that to fix exchange is to gamble. Consistently to settle, or consistently to refrain from settling, would over a period of years allow the law of averages to come into operation, and would show the same result. On the other hand to fix exchange enables the Government, whose revenue is in dollars, to know in advance how many dollars it will require in respect of all its commitments, both silver and sterling. If sterling is available in London for the Government's gold commitments this point is of course met, but if it is not available and contracts for supplies be entered into, to be paid later out of the Treasury, then exchange should be settled when the transaction is authorized. Care should be taken to obtain competitive rates when settling.

Official Commentary.

The Government in a commentary on the report, declares that it is not prepared to consider the proposal for severing the Water Works Office from the P.W.D., and, in connection with the price-costing of water, refers to the possible effects on the poorer classes.

Referring to local architects, the Government does not consider it desirable to confine the list of authorized architects to persons who hold the certificates of A.R.I.B.A., no such provision being in force in England.

The Government does not consider the suggestion to put the Electrical Department under the Postmaster-General to be sound. The department deals with many matters outside the sphere of the Postmaster-General.

Referring to the P.W.D., the Government states that the Commission appears to have misconceived somewhat the position of executive engineers. They are in full control of their sub-departments.

Marine Cases.

With regard to the Harbour Department, the Government points out that the hearing of non-technical cases by the Harbour Master takes on an average ten to fifteen minutes a day. To transfer these cases to the Central Magistracy would not therefore do much to lighten the work of the Harbour Master.

With reference to the revenue of the Government Marine Surveyors Department, the Government points out that if all fees were trebled, there would still be an appreciable gap between revenue and expenditure. It therefore considers that any attempt at the present juncture to make this department self-supporting by increasing survey fees would be a grave mistake.

The Harbour Department is primarily a department to control and regulate vessels and shipping in the harbour, and only secondarily a revenue producing one. It would, in the Government's opinion, be most unwise to reverse this order.

Medical Department.

Concerning the Medical Department, the Government states that the gradual replacement of Europeans by Chinese nursing sisters has been and will continue to be the Government's policy.

As regards the Sanitary Department, the Government does not consider it desirable to have street cleaning done by a contractor. The system was tried before and the results were not satisfactory.

The replacement of Europeans by Asiatics in the Sanitary Department will have to be gradual and the experiment carefully watched.

Russian Police.

Referring to the suggestion for employing Russians in the Police Force, the Government prefers the proposition put forward by the Chairman to that of the Unofficial members. The Inspector General of Police has carefully gone into the question as to how far section sergeants can be replaced as a result of the use of motor cycles. He finds that only ten can be so reduced. Further, in no city in the world have foot patrols been supplanted by motor cycle police. In the interests of economy, however, the Government is willing to give the scheme a trial.

Exchange.

Coming to the Treasury, the Government remarks that the matter of fixing exchange has its ardent advocates as it has opponents. The Government admits that last year, with the drop in the value of the dollar, the Government would have gained had it fixed exchange. On the other hand, when the dollar tends to rise, the effect might easily be disadvantageous to the Colony. The

RAPE CHARGE FAILS.

A CASE HEARD IN NEW TERRITORIES COURT.

A case in which a charge of rape and attempted rape was brought against Shing Yung-on, a youth at Hang Hau Village, Sai Kung, New Territories, by a girl named Wong Klu, had a sequel in the court of the District Officer South yesterday afternoon.

Sergeant Williams prosecuted, while Mr. Peter H. Sin defended the accused and entered a plea of "not guilty." In outlining the case to his Worship (Mr. J. S. McLaren) Sergeant Williams said that the complainant lived with her parents who kept an opium divan in the village, where men went to smoke opium, and that the alleged offence was committed on January 3 this year. The girl was 15 years of age. On the day in question the parents were out. The girl was subsequently examined by a doctor. The mother of the girl, upon being informed of the matter, laid information to the Police. The accused was the son of a shopkeeper in the village.

In the witness box the girl stated that she did not try to shout when the alleged offence was committed by the accused, and that she was not afraid of him. Questioned by the Magistrate she admitted that she had previous relations with the accused, and further admitted that an Au Kam caught them on the day in question and it was he who persuaded her mother to prosecute the defendant.

Mr. Sin submitted that on the evidence before the Court there was no case for his client to answer, and accordingly his Worship dismissed the case and discharged the defendant.

Government as at present advised is not prepared to accept this recommendation of the committee.

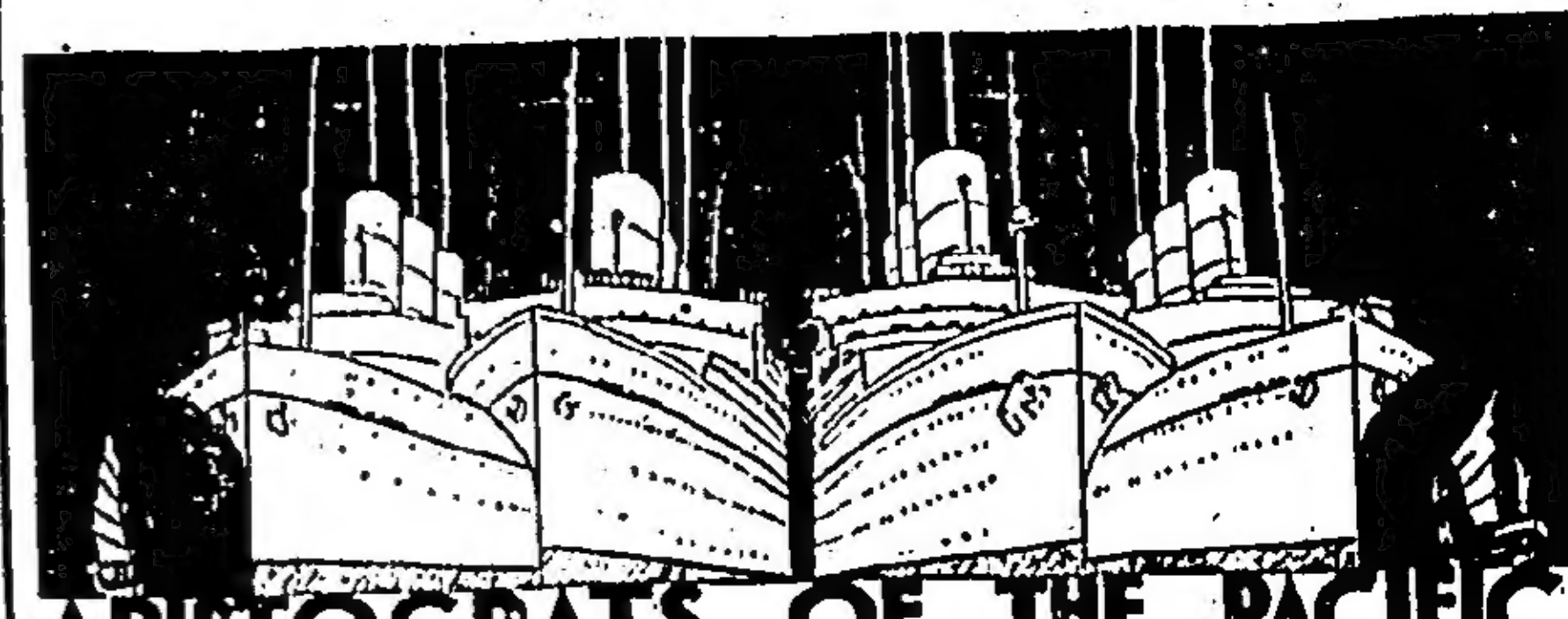
Monetary Values.

The Government appends an appendix to the Commentary as follows:

Whilst some of the recommendations in the report can readily be reduced to terms of dollars and cents, many, including some of the most important and far reaching, cannot be so expressed. The Commissioners themselves refrained generally from giving monetary values to their proposals. Several of the recommendations are still under consideration, and in a few cases recommendations which had been accepted at the time the Commentary was written, have had to be reconsidered in the light of subsequent developments.

Such figures as it has been found possible to give, on those sections of the Report on which a decision has been reached, are appended below. They must not be taken as a summary of the Report and Commentary.

	Recommended by Commission	Accepted by Govt.
Public Works Dept.	\$28,050	\$38,850
Police Dept.	128,163	114,668
Prison Dept.	32,600	27,000
Sanitary Dept.	46,300	89,100
Senior Clerical & Accounts	159,740	163,350
Junior Clerical Service	81,622	82,105
Education Dept.	\$516,378	\$241,008



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Emp. of Japan	July 1	July 4	July 6	July 8	July 10	July 19
Emp. of Asia	July 15	July 18	July 19	July 21	July 23	Aug. 1
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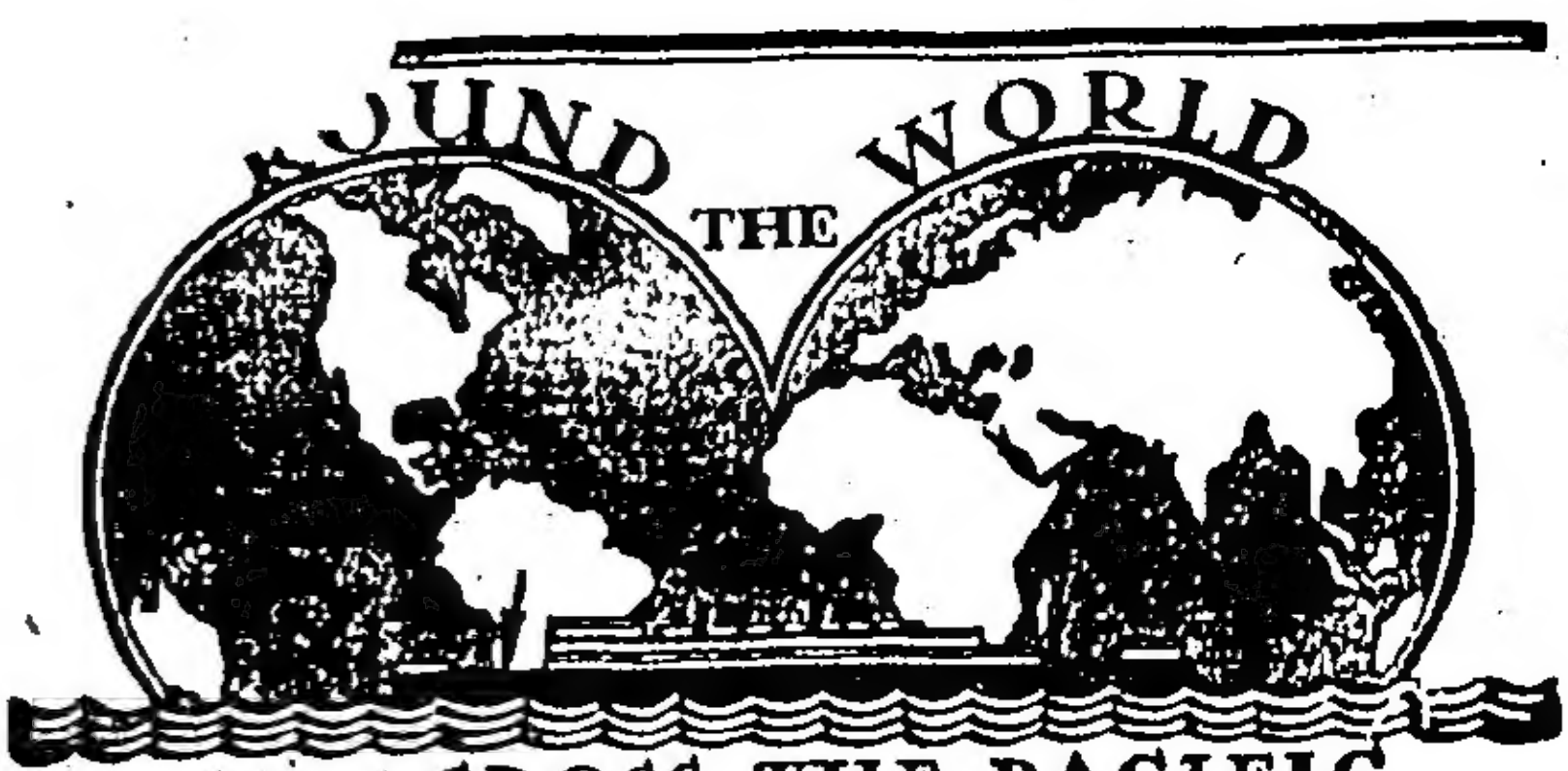
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PARALLEL TO RECENT HOME RULING.

The ruling made by Mr. Justice McCardie, the "bachelor judge," in a recent case at Home that a wife could leave her husband at any time she chose and that a husband had no control over his wife's body, had a parallel at the Kowloon Magistracy before Mr. Fraser yesterday when a Chinese woman named Wan Sui-ying summoned her husband Tang Kam-wa for maintenance.

It was alleged by the complainant that she fell sick after giving birth to a baby last year, but her husband failed to provide her with medical attention. She alleged that he did not get her a doctor nor gave her money to go to consult one.

His Worship.—Where is the baby now?

Complainant.—In the French hospital.

How much do you pay to keep it there?—\$25.

His Worship (to defendant).—How much do you earn a month?—I am a "boy" and earn \$15 a month.

How much do you give your wife every month?—\$15.

How about yourself?—I receive tips at times.

His Worship (to complainant).—Is it true that he gives you \$15 a month?—Yes.

How can you afford to keep your baby at the French Hospital at \$25 a month when your husband is earning only \$15?—I have a little saved up, but that is all spent now.

Can't you keep your baby in a cheaper institution? What do you want me to do in this case?—I don't want to go back to him (husband).

Is that all you want? You don't want any money from him?—No.

All I want is not to go back to him. His Worship.—I feel that there must be something you haven't told me. If that is all you want, then I need not make any order here. A wife has complete control over her own body. There is nothing to force you to go back to live with him.

Defendant.—What about my baby? Who will take care of him?

His Worship.—I am afraid you will have to be responsible for him.

But I am a working man! I can't work and look after the baby at the same time.

Complainant.—Then I need not go back to him?

His Worship.—Not if you don't want to.

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Admission will be free. All those interested in dramatic art will doubtless be glad to attend, especially as this year is the Goethe centenary. One of the greatest poets of Europe, Goethe still remains a living force for us at the present age.

NOTED AUTHOR.

UNDER SUSPICION OF GERMAN CUSTOMS.

Berlin, Apr. 6. The bank account of Erich Maria Remarque, the author of the notable book "All Quiet on the Western Front," has been garnished by the Customs authorities, on the suspicion that Remarque, who lives at Locarno, is contravening the foreign exchange regulations.—Reuter.

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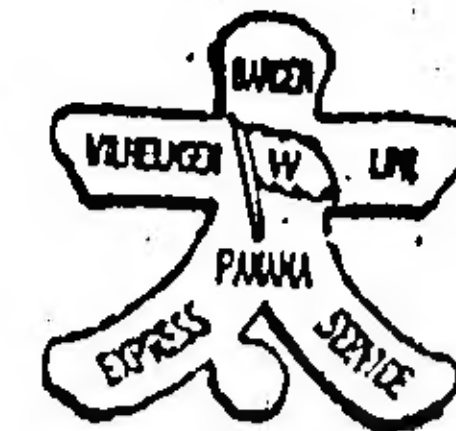
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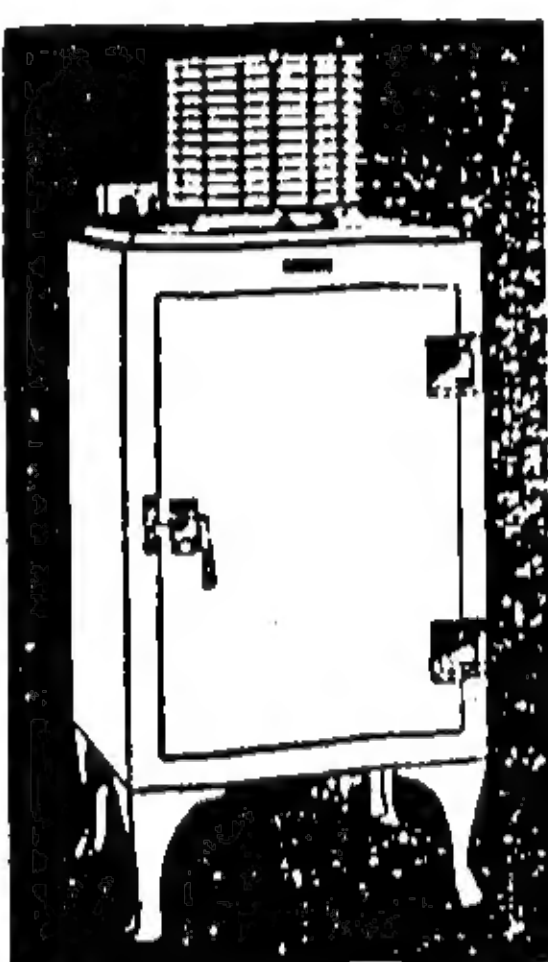
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RAILWAY CO'S THREAT:

TARIFF WAR.

Valparaiso, Apr. 6.
The tariff war between Chile and the Argentine has developed into an economic tragedy.

The British-controlled Argentine Trans-Andine Railway has issued an ultimatum to the Chilean Government informing them that unless commerce between the two countries is restored, the railway will be closed down on April 20.

The receipt of this ultimatum was officially announced by the Chilean Government to-day.

If the railway carries out its threat, it will mean cutting the only railway communication between the two countries.

Freight Losses.

The attitude of the Trans-Andine Railway is due to the fact that trade has been nullified since Chile placed a prohibitive tax upon Argentine cattle, with the result that the railway has lost over \$1,000,000 in freights.—*Reuter.*

ANGLO-JAPANESE FRIENDSHIP.

AMBASSADOR MEETS BANKERS.

London, Apr. 6.
Emphasising that the Japanese Government have no intention of doing anything likely to prove harmful to Anglo-Japanese friendship, Mr. Matsudaira, the Japanese Ambassador, speaking at a lunch given to forty influential financiers closely associated with the *Far East*, denounced the Chinese allegations regarding the course of events and various incidents in Shanghai as "misrepresentation of the facts."

He stated that Japan's only anxiety now was that the Chinese negotiators in Shanghai were resorting to their usual practice of procrastination.

Manchurian Interests.

Mr. Matsudaira further stated that Japanese interests in Shanghai were purely economic, but her standpoint in Manchuria was different. Japanese political and strategical interests were involved in Manchuria in addition to her economic interests.—*Reuter.*

Yesterday's health return shows two further cases of meningitis, two of small-pox and one of diphtheria.

LOCAL EDUCATION MATTERS.

GOVT. APPROVES LEAVING CERTIFICATE.

At a meeting of the Board of Education held on Wednesday afternoon, the following members present were:—Director of Education, (Mr. G. P. deMartin, M.A.), Inspector of English Schools, (Mr. A. R. Sutherland M.A.), Inspector of Vernacular Schools, (Mr. Y. P. Law, B.A.), Rev. Father, Byrne, S.J., Capt. P. S. Cannon, M.A., A.E.C., Rev. F. Short, Very Rev. Dean A. D. Swann, M.A., D.S.C., Hon. Mr. S. W. Tso, O.B.E., L.L.D.

The Chairman, on behalf of the Board, welcomed Capt. Cannon, the new Command Educational Officer, who had been appointed a member of the Board vice Capt. Deakin D.S.O., M.C.

The report of the Medical Officers for Schools for January and February, a copy of which had been sent to each member, was laid on the table.

The Chairman informed the Board that the Board's recommendation to amend Articles 46, 46 and 47 of the Grant Code had been accepted by Government. Government was also in general agreement with the Board's recommendation to substitute one School Leaving Certificate for the present Local Examinations.

The Chairman reported that no reply had been received as to the Board's recommendation for the erection of a building for the Vernacular Normal School for Women, but plans had been drawn up in order to facilitate estimate of cost.

The following resolution was carried unanimously:—"That in the opinion of the Board the Junior Local Examinations should be held at the beginning of July and the Junior and Senior Locals are abolished, then such examination as replace them."

With reference to the items of Public Works Extraordinary affecting the Education Department, the Board stressed the urgency of increased accommodation for British children in Kowloon and the need of a building for the Vernacular Normal School for Women.

TIT FOR TAT.

NANKING REBUFS MANCHUKUO.

Nanking, Apr. 7.
A Foreign Office spokesman states that the Foreign Office of the Nationalist Government is expecting a Note from the "Bogus Manchurian Government" objecting to Dr. Wellington Koo visiting Manchuria, but the Note had not yet been received.

He added that, if it arrives, the Foreign Office will not be able to officially receive a note from the "Rebel Government".—*Reuter.*

TWO LOCAL STEAMERS IN MISHAPS.

Haiching Hits A Rock.

B. & S. GROUNDING.

Reports were current in the Colony this morning that two well-known local steamers had badly come to grief in the fog which has hung over the China Coast during the past few days. The vessels said to be concerned were the Douglas Company's s.s. Haiching and the China Navigation Company's s.s. Kweichow.

It transpires that both these steamers met with mishaps, the former striking a rock near Foochow, and the Kweichow going aground at Cape Collinson.

Neither ship was, however, badly damaged, though the Haiching was slightly holed in her bow, and a certain amount of cargo damaged by water. In neither case were there any personal injuries or loss of life.

The Haiching experienced her accident when approaching Foochow, on Tuesday, striking a rock in a dense fog at the White Dogs. She was holed and cargo was affected by the rush of water, but she was able to proceed to Foochow under her own steam and arrived there without further trouble.

Slight Damage.

The Kweichow was coming from Tientsin to Hongkong when she grounded at 1 p.m. yesterday at Cape Collinson. She was only slightly damaged and was refloated six hours later, arriving in the harbour this morning, little the worse for the experience. The vessel was carrying general cargo, which, so far as is known, was not damaged.

U.S.A. AND WORLD COURT.

ADHERENCE THOUGHT POSSIBLE.

Washington, Apr. 6.
Mr. H. L. Stimson, the Secretary of State, appeared before the Foreign Relations Committee of the Senate to-day and elaborated his view that the Elihu Root formula for the adherence of the United States to the International Court of Justice at The Hague would fully protect the rights of the United States.

Mr. Borah, the Chairman of the Committee, said the prospect that a vote would be taken during the present session on the accession of the United States to the Court was reasonably good.—*Reuter's American Service.*

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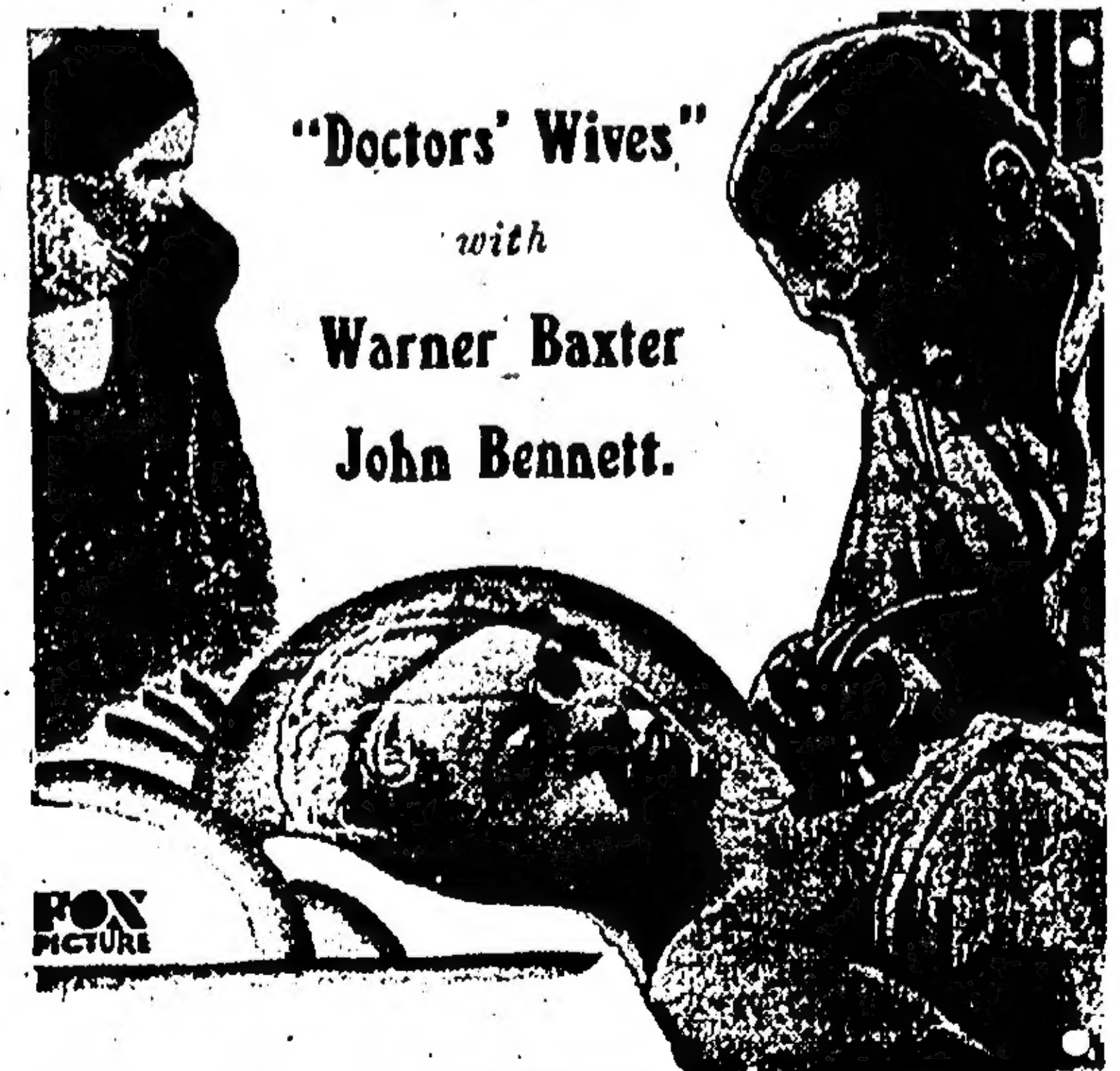


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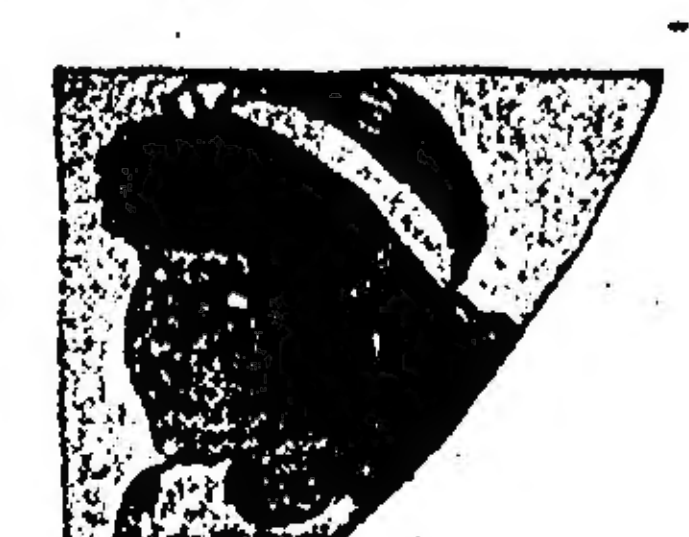
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